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By LAURIE SCHWAB

The NSL has shouldered arms in a war that undo much of the progress made by Australia's national team in the recent international series.

The NSL says that in future, it will demand that it be paid a fee for the use of its players in the national team.

The league is angry that it has not received a \$240,000 sponsorship payment it had expected from West Nally Ltd., via ASF Marketing Ltd.

ASF Marketing's director, Peter Sheean, says no fee is payable because the ASF did not sign sponsorship contract, because it objected to certain

because it objected to certain clauses.
You have to sympathise with the league over its financial-losses during the international series by surely a constitution out he were don't between NSL and Marketing officials.

in hindsight, the inter-

ciais.

In hindsight, the international series probably was too long, it required the NSL clubs too long to require the required the probably too go for four weeks considered to go for four weeks admission costs perhaps restricted attendances. It must be said however, that the series put soccer into public spotlight much more effectively than any other promotion since the 1973 World Cup qualifying series. The NSL argument is that the ASF should have organised the series on its own. However, the argument doesn't stand up in the light of the reluctance by many States to lay out the necessary cash for international matches in the past.

Certainly, the ASF and the States would not have taken the risk of staging the recent

the risk of staging the recent world series.

Peter Sheean did take the risk, and the game itself uses given priceless publicity through major newspapers, on television and on radio.

Through this publicity, many Socceroos have become household names. Much more glamor is attached to the sport now in the eyes of the Australian sports freaks.

It remains to be seen, of

It remains to be seen, of course, whether it all rubs off on club soccer.

If it doesn't, well, we really

haven't lost anything — except of course the losses sustained by the NSL over the past

by the NSL over the past month.
Everything has to have a beginning. This international series, if it is the start of many, can only sustain the exposure won through games against Juventus, Glasgow Rangers, Notingitam Forest, Igastic and Manchester United.
I'm sure all concerned realise, with hindsight, that future international series should be shorter — perhaps a series of double-headers over two weekends.

And surely an arrangement can be worked out whereby the NSL gets a cut of the takings in return for the use of its play-

It's only a matter of the people concerned sitting down and facing realities. Give and take on both sides should do the trick.

the trick.

In the meantime, the NSL has been plagued by rumors of its committee and the second seco

agree to play under State control.

Most of the 24 clubs, however, are adamant that they want to continue under their own steam next season, but with a different league format. They have been asked to place their intentions in writing within the next 14 days. While the main pockets of discontent appear to be in NSW, the strong clubs like Marconi should be able to sway the others, and go the way of Victoria, Queensland, and South



Alan Davidson



Marshall Soper

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NSL concept.
Sydney's NSL clubs will
meet today (Wednesday) to
talk book plans and talk book plans
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telear that if any clubs want to
drop out, others will be invited
to fill the vacancies
League manager Steve
Kamasz said he had been
working on various league
formats for 1985, ranging from
24 down to 126 tubs.
Back to the international services.

Back to the international series.

Alan Davidson undoubtedly was the star attraction of Arank Arok's national team. Almost everyone you talk to shares that opinion.

Marshall Soper emerged as Australia's most important forward. David Ratcliffe, playing as a man-marken askept everyone of his opponents scoreless in games against England, Glasgow Raners, Nottingham Forest, Juventus, Iraklis and Manchester United.

The B team concept was useful in testing out a wide

variety of players, and has produced at least three additions to the A squad — Charlie Egan (SM-Hellas). Tony Franken (Canberra) and Jim Patikas (Sydney Olympic).

But at least two players not used in this series may yet come into Arok's squad. They are Zarko Odzakov of Makedonia and David Lowe of Marconi. Odzakov is in the process of trying to get permanent residency status so he will be eligible to play for Australia, and Arok still sees Lowe as candidate for a Socceron mid-played control of the control of th

goalkeepers — Irity Greedy,
Tony Franken and Tony Pezzano.
The field players certain to
be selected are: Davidson,
Ratcliffe, Joe Watson, Steve
O'Connor: Charlier Yankos,
Graham Jennings, Jim Cant,
Ken Munby, John Kusmina,
Frank Tarina, Jim Patikas
and Odzakov if he is eligible.
The rest would come probably from among: Peter Raskopoulos, Alex Robertson,
Tommy McCulloch, David
Skeen, David Lowe, Steve
Blair, Peter Lewis, Dong
Brown, Oscar Crino, Peter
Katholos, John O'Shea, Mits
pin the air, He is to return to
Ranges in Scotland, and may
to be able to get time off for
the tour. Certainly he would be
a valuable player if available.
Two players Arok definitely
should consider are Tommy
Cumming of Melbourne
Croatia and Gerardo Gomez of
Sydney Hakoah.
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will to win, toughness,

Sydney Hakoah.
Cumning Las all the qualities Arok admires — a fierce will to win, toughness, goalscoring ability, flair and imagination and leadership qualities. Gomez is big and strong, has a lot of skill and can play in any position on the field with equal effectiveness.

Both players deserve to be

Both players deserve to be there. Let's hope they are.



Eddie Krncevic

Krncevic back to Croatia?

LAURIE SCHWAB

Melbourne Croatia's new coach, Tony Vrzina, has started a move to bring Eddie Krncevic back home.

Krncevic, now with the Dinamo Zagreb in Yugosla-via, was signed for Groatia by Vizina from the Juventus juniors, and it was Vizina who gave Krncevic his first taste of senior soccer.

taste of senior soccer.

"Eddie hasn't been getting a regular game with
Dinamo, his mother and
father want him to come
home, and I'm sure that
Australia's recent results
will make him eeger to reestablish himself in the
national teem," Vrzina said.

national team," Vizina said.
Vlada Bazinovski, the
former Slavia and SM-Hollas
player, who also is with
Dinamo Zagrab now, is back
in Malbourne at the moment,
and Vizina has been getting
the low-down on Kracevic
and on the availability of
guest players from Dinamo
and Hajduk.

and Hajduk.

Green Gully, meanwhile,
expects to be joined within a
fortnight by Brian Brown,
the captain of Scottish First
Division club Falkirk, Brown
is a centre-back.

IZ 'could

<u>England, Italy,</u> Yugoslavia, Greece next

By TED SIMMONS

Australia will play England in the last match of its six-week European tour which starts in November.

November.

The match, which has been approved by the Australian Soccer Federation, follows the world-class performances by the Australian A team in the current international series.

"We have the unusual phenomena of stop class clubs and nations in Europe wanting to play us and pay for the privilege," ASF commercial director Peter Sheean said.

"There are more games than we can fit into the end-of-year tour but we intend at this stage to limit the program to matches in China, Greece, Italy, Yugoslavia and the British Isles," he said. Sheean said the new overseas respect and credibility for the Socceros had resulted from the international series in which Australia registered wins over Juventus, Glasgow Rangers and Iraklis and drew with Manchester United and Nottingham Forest. "We started with a 10-point objective which included giving the national squads adequate overseas competition, restoring soccer's credibility and visibility in the minds of Australian setting the best venues and taking the game around Australia instead of just Sydney and Mebourne.

"Unless the Australian team plays frequently, it doesn't get the

"Unless the Australian team plays frequently, it doesn't get the opportunity to win and get media exposure, support and interest. "The biggest benefit has been to the Australian players who have overcome the critics who said they wouldn't last the distance against so many tourists, and playing two games a week against four different teams."

Sheean will fly to Europe next month to complete arrangements for the tour while ASF executive Director Brian Emery will fly to China for discussions on the three matches during the early stages of the tour after rejecting a request by Chinese authorities for an extra game.

Franken best of B's: Thomson

Coach Eddie Thompson has nominated goalkeeper Anthony Franken as the outstanding player in his national B squad.

"Franken made some marvellous saves during the tournament and it takes a great goalkeeper to get to some of the shots pounded at him," he said.

"Nearly all of the players have improved out of sight in skills, control and fitness. Training together and on a near-professional basis has worked wonders as has the opportunity to train under different coaches.

different coaches.

"Other players who quickly come to mind are Charlie Egan, Steve Blair, and the O'Shea brothers as definite improvers."

The B team played seven games in the 18-match program but finished without a win.

They held Glasgow Ranger to two draws and lost twice to the Scottish team, kept Nottingham forest to a scoreless draw in Sydney and finished with two draws against Iraklis.

The only casualty from the matches was Brunswick Juventus midfielder Richard Miranda, who is walking with the aid of crutches.

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Miranda has his right leg in plaster following a heavy tackle by George Orfanidis in the Brisbane match against fraklis.

Doctors hope the plaster will stablise a floating bone chip.
Fullback John O'Shea, who was the second Australian Casuality in the same match, quickly recovered from his knee injurad was used as a substitute in Melbourne.

There will be a meeting next week tween national coach Frank Arok, the other coaches the series. I will submit a report on which players I believe are ready to play for the A team," said Thomson.

beat Roos

Fawkner signs 'Molly'

Molly Meldrum gave Victorian State League club Fawkner \$500 last Sunday with which to sign Guy Bakker from Wilhelmina.

Wilhelmina.

But Meldrum, a respected and successful multi-media personality, has no thoughts about emulating his pal Etton John and taking on the responsibilities of chairmanship of a soccer club.

Meldrum, a keen soccer follower, is a good friend of Fawkner winger Joe Palin-kas, and has been made an honorary member of the



Kevin Lloyd of Juventus shepherds Heidelberg's Ian

Glasgow Rangers manager Jock Wallace had words of encouragement for New Zealand, just after his team completed the Australasian leg of its world tour in Auckland. He said: "The New Zealand eleven gave us our best game since we left home. The Aussies were very defensive and aggrassi-

National Cup semi-finals

The National Cup semi-finals will be played at venues yet to be an-nounced on Wednesday, August 29.

Footscray J.U.S.T. will meet Melbourne Croatia and APIA will confront

ve, they kicked lumps cut of my players. If New Zealand played Australia next week, I would fancy your chances. Week I would fancy your chances. Wallace's words had boosted Kiwi morale in Australand, news came from Wellington which quickly deflated it. Snatching a few weeks holiday at home, young Swiss-based striker Wynton Rufer, contracting all previous statements, anounced it was unlikely that he would be available for international duty when the World cyel eliminators commence in October next year.

iminators commence in October ext year. Rufer has just re-signed for FC Rufer has just re-signed for FC Zurich on a one-year contract and, after a disappointing 1983-84 season, is eager to prove himself a worthwhile long term prospect to either Zurich or another major

to either Zurich or another major club. Rufer is certainly a non-starter for New Zealand's tour of Europe and the Middle East scheduled for October and November — should

The New Zealand Football As-The New Zealand Football Association's financial problems (they are currently \$72,000 in debt) have been compounded by the loss of a lucrative sponsorship deal with Addids — the result of some All Whites wearing the products of other firms during recent internationals.

NZFA chairman Charlie

NZFA chairman Charlie Dempsey has emphasised that

the tour would only take place if financially feasible, therefore it is far from a certainty, even though games against Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, England B, Wales B, Watford, West Bromwich Ablion, Crystal Palace, Arsenal and Northera Ireland have been provisionally arranged.

- PAUL MOON

France-Spain on TV

Network 0-28 will telecast live via satellite Europe's most prestigious international soccer fixture, the 1984 European Championship final, between France and Spain tomorrow (Thursday) from 4 am.

nursay, non--am. Staged every four years between Europe's top soccer nations - the 1984 final being played at the Parc De Princes stadium in aris — this competition is the European equivalant of the World

— The 1954 man entity played at one Farc Let Princes statum in Paris — this competition is the European equivalant of the World Cup.
Network 0-28's Les Murray will present the live statellite telecast, joined in the studio by the resident panel of Rela Rasic and Tony Palumbo. Edited highlights of the game can also be seen at



Alan Brazil to United

Scottish striker Alan Brazil joined Manchester United from English first division rivals Tottonham in a 700,000 storling (\$1,092,000 Austing (\$1,0

months ago.

Brazil's transfer comes after a chequered 16-month spell at Tottenham marked by right and loss of form and confidence. He joined the London club from Ipswich for 450,000 sterling (\$702.000 Aust).

Brezil will link up again at United with his former Ip-swich midfield team-mate, Dutchman Arnold Muehren.

Tournament top scorers

Leading scorers in the Eu-pean championship finals: 8 — Michel Platini (France) 3 — Frank Arnesen (Den-

3 - Frank Armen mark) 2 - Jean-Francois Do-mergue (France), Preben El-kjøer (Demmark), Rui Jordao (Portugal), Antonio Maceda (Spain), Rudi Voeller (West

France survived near eclipse by Portugal in the dramatic European championship semi-final but is sure to shine again in tomorrow's (Thursday) final against Spain.

Portugal, worthy heir of Eu-sebio's famous World Cup team of 1966, was just six minutes of extra time away from pulling off the biggest upset of the tournament. Then France struck twice to clinch a 3-2 victory in a two-hour

France struck twice to clinch a 3-2 victory in a two-hour thriller.

Michael Platini's 119th-minute winner — his eighth goal in four matches — gave the match its last dramatic twist. But the game would have been beyond the rescue even of the great French master if his unsung team-mate Jean-Francois Do-mergue had not netted two earlier goals to celebrate his 27th birthday.

"Tonight we came back from hell. When Portugal scored in extra time I thought our dream of reaching the linal was shattered. I really thought it was my last game,"

French manager Michel Hidalgo said.
Spain beat Denmark 5-4 on penalties in semi-final in Lyons.
The Spaniards, trailing to a seventh minute goal by Denmark's Some of the semi-final in Lyons.
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Penalties:
Denmark — scored: Kenneth Brylle, Jesper Olsen, Michael Laudrup, Soren Lerby.
Missed: Preben Elkjaer.

BRIETNER, KLEIN **BLAST DERWALL**

West Germany's coach Jupp Derwall, under fire since Spain bounced his team out of the European championship, brought his players home to the jeers of waiting fans.

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As he told a waiting television reporter that he did not know what he should do following his team's last minute 1-0 defeat in Paris, a group of West German supporters chanted the answer: "Derwall out".

Captain Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, who has backed the controversial Derwall in the past, said: "We'll have to wait and see what he does or does not do."

The trainer himself, questioned repeatedly about his future with the German team after this latest embarrassment, has played his cards close to the chest.

"I'm going on holiday first, then we'll see," said Derwall, whose contract runs out in June 1986. Whether he resigned or not was a personal matter that did not concern anyone else, he added. The West Germans' defeat sparked a wave of criticism at home and seemed bound to provoke a thorough rethink before the squad starts its qualifying campaign in October for the 1988 World Cup.

Ex-national player Paul Breitner, writing in a Munich newspaper, described the match as "a first class funera!" saying he was particularly agry that Germany has lost out in one of the weakest championship groups for years.

The whole team must be rebuilt from top to bottom, said Briet-ner, and Derwall must make way for a new man. Hamburg's president Wolfgang Klein also criticised Derwall: "I believe that any other trainer could have achieved more with this team."

But while Derwall was taking most of the blame, there was a

But write Det was was soun pushfied. The reling that the result was not unjustfied and the mass circulation daily "Bild" said the midfield neither gave the defence enough helm long used to with the attack, and concluded that the German team, long used to success, must now reconcile itself to being just another also-ran.

Spains Spain.

Spain - scored: Carlos Santillana, Juan Antonio Senor,
Jose Antonio Camacho, Victor
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Chairen 0 from 4 am tomorrow (Thursday) before abdicating his throne. Domergue, in the side only because first choice left back Manuel Amoros is under suspension for butting Danish substitute Jesper Olsen in the tournament opener, put france ahead with a 25th minute free-kick which fooled almost everyone in the Velodrome Stadium. Portugal who found the met 16 minutes from the end of normal time when the irrepressible Fernanch the different of the most of the part 12 years, then put Portugal in sight of victory eight minutes into extra time. He volleyed in another Chainan cross, his shot bouncing over goalkeeper Joel Bats and into the French net, to give the Portuguese a 2-1 lead. But just when it seemed the dreams of the host nation had been shattered, Domergue popped up in the penalty box to ram home his second goal in the 114th minute and make it 2-2, roared on with chasts of "Allez les bleus",

the 114th minute and make it 2.7 France, roared on with chants of "Allez les bleus", poured forward again. Jean Tigana, celebrating his birthday like Domergue, made one more foray into the box, and Platini was there, pausing for what seemed an eternity before striking the deciding goal past the admirable Bento. It was a joyful reawakening from a recurrent nightmare as the contract of the contrac

istory.
FRANCE: Joel Bats, Patrick Bat-ston, Yvon Le Roux, Maxime Bos-is, Jean-Francois Domergue, Luis Fernandax, Jean Tigana, Michel 'atini, Alain Giresse, Bernard La-combe Jean-Marc Ferreri 64th nin), Didier Six (Bruno Bellons

min), Didier Six (sprano 104th).
PORTUGAL: Manuel Bento, Jose
Pinto, Eurico Gomes, Lime Pereira,
Alvaro Megaihase, Jaime Pacheco,
Antonio Frasco, Antonio Sousa (Tamagnini Nene 63rd), Fernande
Chalans, Manuel Diamentino (FerAdata Bul Jordeo.

Trouble erupts as Roos beat Iraklis

By PETER DESIRA

AUSTRALIA A 2 (Kosmina 19th, Cant 83rd) IRAKLIS 0. Venue: Barton Park. At-tenddance: 8876. Referee: Don Campbell (SA). Cautions: Jennings, Ratcliffe (A), Pergaminos (1)

AUSTRALIA A: Greedy 8 — Davidson 9, Ratcliffe 8, Vankos 9, O'Connor 9, Jennings 8 — Raskopoulos 7 (Watson 46m 7), Murphy 9, Soper 7 (Cent 70m, 7), Mitchell 7 (Farina 46m), Kosmina 8. Coach: F. Arok. IRAKLIS: Georgies 8 — Ziffkas 7 (Mavridis 78m), Firos 8, Pargaminos 8, Orfanidis 7 — Papaiouannou 9, Xanthopoulos 7, Gelatidis 7 — Adamou 7 (Mitosavic 78m), Hatzipanagis 9, Papadopoulos 8 (Vrinios 78m). Coach: F. Rausch.

Frank Arok described this match as an anti-climax and admitted he was worried about getting the players in the right frame of mind before the game.

game.

"If we had met them earlier in the series, I would have been supremely confident. But we hit the peak in our game against Juventus and I need to come up with something special in my team talk to ensure there are no slip-ups," Arok said two hours before the game.

Whether the coach did come up with that something special or whether his wari-ness was unfounded, one will never know but the So-ceroos put on another credi-table performance to record their third victory in the se-ries.

Iraklis took long time to settle into its rhythm and did not test Terry Greedy until the 28th minute.

But they hit their straps once Vasil Hatzipanagis switched from central stri-ker to midfield.

ker to midfield.

Hatzipanagis' deft touches and Lakis Papaiouannou's work rate created problems and openings in the Australian. defence and Terry Greedy then had to be at his best to preserve the lead the Socceroos gained after only 19 minutes.

Having absorbed the pres-sure Arok's men also proved they can counter punch, seal-ing the game with a record goal even if was a somewhat lucky one seven minutes from the end.

The Socceroos could have broken the deadlock after only four minutes.

only four minutes.

Peter Raskopoulos centres from the left, and David Mitchell headed the ball down for Marshall Soper to hit a shot which Blagoj Georgier did well to parry away for a corner.

Alan Davidson set up two more chances, which went begging before Kosmina broke the deadlock in the 19th minute.

19th minute.

Davidson again started the move but Ken Murphy deserves all the credit for a 6th surge from the halfway line in which he avoided two tackles before sending over a cross which Kosmina met at the far post with a fierce header which gave Georgier no chance.

no chance.

Greedy's first involvement in the game was to punch out a Papaiouannou free kick but his first real test came in the 35th minute when he went down well to stop a scorching shot from Dimitrios Adamou after the winger had been put through by Papaiouannou.

Trouble erupted three minutes from halftime when Ratcliffe unceremoniously brought down Adamson who was again racing clear onto a Daniel Papadopoulos

Man of the Match: KEN MURPHY (Australia A)

through ball. Babis Xantho-

That brought most of the players — and an enraged spectator who jumped the lence — scurrying to the one spot and there were pushes and shoves galore before referee Don Campbell managed to restore order about a minute later.

Campbell made a number campbell made a number of dubious decisions immediately after the restart which upset the already hostile crowd to the extent that cans started being thrown from supporters in the stand.

One of the missiles hit Arok on the back of the head but he shrugged off the in-cident and continued to or-chestrate the socceroos from the touchline.

The coach made two changes at half time and a third in the 70th minute, bringing on Jim Cant in place of striker Soper in a bid to regain control of midfield.

By that time Greedy had pulled off the save of the match, diving full-length to get a hand to a Papadopoulos shot after Adamou had teased his way down the right to create the opening and centre for the striker.

The midfielder made a short run down the middle and fired a shot which took a deflection off Eyris Pergaminos to deceive Georgiev and trickle over the line.



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I like to win fairly. There's no joy for me if I have to cheat to win. . . . '

It seems some-ow appropriate how appropriation that strapping Socceroo defender David Ratcliffe's

David Katchiffe's
occupation is a
steel-fixer.

It's just the sort of job
you'd pick for the 27-year-old
centre-back; fixing glant
steel beams to form the skelton of buildings.

His defensive abilities are

His defensive abilities are well documented having done such tremendous jobs-in the past year. He was a successive to the past year marking players such as England's Trevor Francis and Italy's Paolo Rossi.

Both his club team, St George, and Australia — both coached by Frank Arok rely heavily on Ratcliffe's defensive skills and ability to turn defence into attack with superb long passes.

He truly is the team's "fixer" — linking defence and attack.

"fixer" — linking defence and attack. Despite his flerce com-petitive nature he would never be described as "dir-ty" and in fact received un-bounded praise from both Francis and Rossi for being "tough and persistent, but clean."

"tough and persistent, but clean."
"I like to win" was how Ratcliffe summed up his

Ratcliffe summed up his philosophy, "And I like to win fairly. There's no joy for me if I have to cheat to win, so I do my utmost to win every challenge cleanly." He said with team's excellent showings over the last month were largely due to the squal living as professionals.

By STEPHEN DETTRE

"We can concentrate on playing football and can gear ourselves up to playing," he said.
"It makes it very hard for us when we're playing club football and we have to go to training after putting in eight hours a day at work.

eight hours a day at work.

"It's been quite a thrill
just being able to get on with
the job of playing soccer."

He said the defence had
been planned extremely well
by Arok so that there was a
set delegation of tasks for
cach member.

"People think, 'Oh, well,
with five at the back it must
get pretty crowded'," Ratelliffe said.
"But we all know what we

get pretty crowded," Rat-cliffe said.
"But we all know what we have to 60."
He said it was wrong to assume Australia played with five defensive-minded players at the back.
"We may be defenders, but we're part of the team and we all like scoring," Ratcliffe said.
"The two backs — David-son and Jennings — spend a tot of the match going for-ward, and when we need to defend, well, we have 11 de-fenders.
"That's the modern

"That's the modern

"That's the modern game."
Ratcliffe said it had taken the current series for the Socceros to shake off the defensive tag they had been labelled with after the three-match series against England in 1983.
"During those matches we had a right to be a little scared of the England team," he aid.

centre back than he had been in midfield.

The Socceroos put on the least pleasing of their nine performances in this series, but even in adversity, there was much that was positive.

The flighting spirit after falling behind, for example, and the Australia A debut of Tommy McCulloch who showed he has the qualities to remain a member of this squad.

He gets himself out of this situations with just the right passes, and has a lot of Imagination going forward.

"We'd never played together before as a unit, and England... well, they still are a powerful soccernation, so we were a little nervous against them.
"But now the side has become remove a little nervous against them."
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so a problem that might ordinarily only take a few days to clear up could drag on for a week or so."
Ratcliffe said he was luckier than most players because he was self-employed in his steel-fixing business. "I've got two partners so when I need time off for something like this series, it's easier for me than a lot of the other blokes," he said. But it all boils down to commitment I suppose. "I' won't have another chance to play in a World Cup, so I'm grabbing my chance with both hands. "I've got the sort of job

"I've got the sort of job
where I can make that decision, but some of the others
could be pretty torn between
whether to honour job obligations or choose soccer," he

ations or choose soccer," he said.

Ratcliffe said he knew performances during the current tournament would dount for little if, for the remainder of the season, his form dropped off.

"Frank has said unless people can show him they can perform consistently he doesn't want them in his team," Ratcliffe said.
"I suppose there'll be a lot expected from us during the rest of the NSL season.
"But as long as maintaint and the said of the sa

Ratcliffe said he was look-

Ratcliffe said he was look-ing forward to playing some World Cup matches in Australia. "During the current series it's virtually been like play-ing away from home most of the time, with the crowds chanting for our opponents.

Ratcliffe-the Socceroos' man of steel

"In Melbourne against Ju-ventus it was like being in Rome, with all the red, white and green flags. We had to look carefully for the green and gold." He said the first time the side had heard any notice-able chanting for Australia was at the SCG.

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"We heard some chanting during the second half, but at the SCG it's pretty hard to hear anything from the supporters as they are so far away.

"If we had a choice, think the players would never pick the SCG or MCG as venues, but we just do as we're told and play who they want, where they want.

"During the World Cup though, I expect we'll get better support.
"Believe me, you can hear the Kicks and strains and sweat a lot better when you hear your supporters behind

you.
"I think that's what we're all looking forward to."

The game ended with a shot from Mitchell being blocked right on the goal line.

And the match ran six minutes too long, despite incredulous protests from both benches.



a green and gold strip. Picture by LES SHOR-ROCK.

Adamou, Hatzipanagis classy against tired Australians slipped the ball through Raskopoulos to run onto score with a shot that bot off goalkeeper Georgiev.

By LAURIE SCHWAB

AUSTRALIA A 1 (Raskopoulos 84th)
IRAKLIS 3 (Mitosevic 49th., Ratcliffe own goal 25th, Galatidis 81st) at Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaide. Crowd about 4500. Referee: Mike Browning 4. Cautions: Hatzipanagis, McCulloch, O'Connor.

Arok. IRAKLIS: Georgiev 8 — Mavridis 7, Pergaminos 8, Xantho-poulos 8, Orfanidis 7 (Mavrodoulakis 78th) — Zifkas 8, Papaiouannou 7 (Papadopoulos 78th), Hatzipanagis 8, Galatidis 8 — Adamou 9, Mitosavic 7. Coach: Friedul Rausch. them ahead of David Rateliffe.

the may be an unknown in comparison, but Adamou proved as tough an opponent for Rateliffe as even Paolo Rossi and Trevor Francis.

Goalkeeper Blagoj Georgiev had confident command of his area to the extent of clutching high balls safely even at the 16-metre edge.

Lakis Papaiouannou, the Greek international midfielder, Justified his reputation until being replaced and Babis Xanthopoulos who was deputising for injured Georgie Firos, was even better at centre back than he had been and the state of the control o

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Australia A, the star team of the world series, was pushed into the background by Iraklis as the Greeks displayed their superior ball skill at Hindmarsh Stadium in the last match of the fourweek programme.

To the delight of the Greek fans, Vasilis Hatzipanagis put on another first-class performance, darting all over the field and playing some inspired passes — the most breathtaking being a 30-metre ball to Dimitrios Adamou on the right wine.

Adamou actually outshone

Adamou actions
Hatipanagis.
Only 19, Adamou showed all the qualities that have made him a Greek under 23 international and a near certainty for the Greek A team in the not too distant future.

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Man of the Match: DIMITRIOS ADAMOU (Iraklis)

Alan Davidson, although a shade-below his best, still maintained a high level of skill and endeavor, and David Mitchell did not stop fighting in attack.

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But Australia failed to recover as well as Iraklis from
their match in Sydney the previous night, and team unity
was affected by the four
changes made by coach Frank
Arok.

Tony Pezzano was in goal
ahead of Terry Greedy, Jim
Cant took Graham Jennings
left back position, and Joe
Watson and Tommy McCulloch replaced Ken Murphy and
Marshall Synd in Australia
playing with only two strikers
instead of the three it had used
previously.

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Arok did this to try to restrict space in midrield, where lrakiis had been so damaging the previous night. But it backfired. Australia's midfielders, without sufficient targets upfield, found the ball rebounding every time they played it forward, resulting in an endess battle as they tried unsuccessfully to deny Iraklis the ball.

Pezzano prevented Iraklis

the ball.

Pezzano prevented Iraklis from taking the lead as early as the first minute by saving a powerful drive from powerful drive from Papaiouannou who had pounced on a ball missed by McCulloch.

McCulloch.

Steve O'Connor was marking Dusan Mitosevic and Ratcliffe tagged Adamou, but Hatipanagis, roaming all over the place, did not have a direct op-

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It wasn't until the 15th minute that Australia had its first shot at goal. It came from Peter Raskopoulos at long-range. Raskopoulos wasn't playing well in this first half, but improved greatly after the interval.

Mitosevic in the 18th minute. Hatzipanagis complained so bitterly with the property of the pro

neither side.

O'Connor cleared off the line in a flurry of Iraklis action in the 34th minute, and seconds later, Pezzano made a reflex save. McCulloch was shown the yellow card for bringing down Hatzipanagis, and Iraklis centre back Eyris Pergaminos almost scored an own goal when he deflected a high ball with his head.

It was obvious that Australia needed more possibilities in attack, so at half time, Arok replaced midfielder Watson with striker Frank Farina.

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Before Farina could make
his mark, however, Iraklis
took the lead. Jim Cant, unable
to reach a high ball with his
foot, looked towards the lineman and claimed offside, and
Mitosevic had all the room in
the world to turn and siam the
ball into the net. The Australian defenders continued to
claim the move had been offside, but referce Browning
allowed the goal to stand.

Tynical of this Australian

Typical of this Australian team, it fought back with gusto. Farina cut in a square shot and goalkeeper Georgiev hurt himself as he went down to it. Farina latched onto it again but belted it too high and Kosmina and Orfandis again exchanged heated words.

exchanged heated words.

Mitchell picked up a defensive clearance from Xanthopoulos and shot too high. Then came Australia's finest passage of play, as the Socceroos strung together 21 uninterrupted passes with Davidson most instrumental in maintaining the build-up, until Xanthopoulos finally cleared with a header.

header.

Daniel Papadopoulos, who had scored in the 1-1 draw with Australia B in Melbourne, replaced Papaiouannou in the 62nd minute, giving Iraklis more bite in attack.

It was 13 minutes later that Iraklis increased its lead, thanks to David Rateliffe, who, in trying to clear, miskicked and sent the ball over the head of Pezzano, into the net.

Another change saw Mav-rodoulakis replacing Orfani-dis, and with nine minutes to go. Iraklis made the score 3-0. ois, and with nine minutes to go, Iraklis made the score 3-0. Hatzipanagis played a free kick from the right wing to the far post where Michael Gala-tidis beat Davidson to head it into the net.

Still the Socceroos' fighting spirit shone through. Davidson passed to McCulloch and he

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5, APIA-Leichhardt 3 Wollongong 3.

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uventus 6	2	3	20	17	14
Melb Croatia5					
Green Gully 4					
Sun George Cross 3					
Nuna City4					
Makedonia 2					
Mor. Falcons1	2	8	8	21	
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- Malavasos (WA), Daunt, Cairney (BL),Ge-jevic (Melb Cr).
- 4. Ward (J), D. Maclaren (GC), Brogan (Melb Cr).

Goalkeeper Bill Londos, 20, will be given a baptism of fire when he replaces injured Alex McPherson in Melita Eagles' revenge match against Sydney City Hakoah, and Mike Petersen will join in-form Paul Tzintizis on Heidelberg-Alexander's forward line against SM-Hellas at the Olympic Village on Sunday in the two top matches of the week.

McPherson played for 75 minutes with a broken wrist in Melita's 0.2 loss to Hakoah hast Sunday, so his place goes to Londos, who was in Sydney Olympic's youth team last season and now is on loan to the Eagles.

Ray Farrugia and Silvio Emanuele meanwhile, are still out of action with foot injuries, and Wayne Farnsworth may have to have a ligament operation.

Hakoah played without Soc-ceroo defender Steve O'Connor last Sunday, but he should re-cover from injury in time to play in the revenge match.

Hellas, with all its inter-nationals back, is at full strength and has to beat Hei-delberg to climb closer to National Conference lead-

ersnip.
Heidelberg, two points clear
at the top, again will miss strihers Scott Patterson and
Steve Winn who will serve the
second and final week of their
suspension, so Mike Petersen
will be drafted into the attack,
alongside Tzintzis who starred

By LAURIE SCHWAB

against Juventus last week, and Mike Valentine.
Steve Marley also is likely to miss out due to injury. Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey again is likely to use two stoppers — Don Macleod and Joe Angele — to mark Hellas strikers Dung Brown and Charlie Egan. John Gabrielson is likely to be at left back.

Weekend NSL matches with likely winners in capitals: SUNDAY CANBERRA ARROWS v. Newcastle-Rosebud at National Sports Centre, 3 pm Marconi v. Sydney Croatia (draw) at Marconi Stadium,

3 pm Melita Eagles v. SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH at Melita

Melita Eagles V. S. S. S. Stadium, 3 pm
PENRITH V. Blacktown at Cook Park, 3.15 pm.
St George Budapest V. Sydney Olympic (draw) at St
George Stadium, 3 pm
Wollongong V. APIA-LEICHHARDT at Towradgi Oval,

Wollongong V. AFIA-LEVILLES

3 pm.
Adelaide City Juventus v. WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS
at Olympic Sports Field, 2.30 pm.
Brisbane Lions v. BRISBANE CITY at Richlands, 3 pm.
B.U. Juventus v. MELBOURNE CROATIA at Olympic
Park No. 2, 3 pm.
Footscray J.U.S.T. v. Preston Makedonia (draw) at
Schintler Reserve, 3 pm.
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and Charlie Egan. John Gabrielson is likely to be at left back.

It should be close with a draw being the likely result.

The four-week break in the competition was a blessing in disguise for Marconi, as it gave Peter Sharne and Jovan Djordjevic time to recover from injuries. Martin Drene, a 17-year-old striker from the Moorebank Juniors, is shaping as a valuable back-up player for Marconi, but its match against improving Sydney Croatia is likely to be a tight noe, and once again, the result looks like a draw.

APIA-Leichhardt, boasting one of the best-balanced sides in the league, looks set for an easy victory against Wollongong, and perhaps Fil Bottalico will give young Carlo Spina a run.

Dragan Lacmanovic, the former Red Star forward who joined Footscray J.U.S.T from Galenika in Yugoslavia, bad a brilliant match against Green Gully last week, and looks like being the key player against Makedonia is reported to have put out feelers for former West Adelaide striker Paul in the likely winners in capitals:

Wormley, now playing in Perth — perhaps because it has been unable to put away its scoring chances. Lack of finishing power contributing to the last weekend, and with JU.S.T. eager to make a bid for the top five, Makedonia probably will be thankful for a draw, especially since Vlatko Belic, Gary McDowell, Pentins Boland, Kyri Kyriakouleas and Igor Hazabent are playing so well under Cedo Cirkovic's guidance at JU.S.T.

Adelaide City Juventus has yet another Italian guest player. Graziano Tavoni, but all the changes make the team look a bit disjointed, so I favor West Adelaide Hellas to with the big South Australian derby.

Penrih, set for a victory

Penrih, set for a victory over Blacktown, had the mis-fortune of seeing lan Wothers-poon miss a penalty against Marconi last Sunday, but with Randall Easthorpe starring in attack, Penrith should make amends this time.

Frank Pimblett of Brisbane City and Steve Maxwell of Ad-elaide Juventus both were sent off last Sunday, so they will miss this week's matches.

Brisbane City, despite Pimblett's absence, looks too strong in defence for Brisbane

Leaders in vital clashes and should gain the

Lions, and should gain the points here.

John Dowie, sent off against Heidelberg, will miss Juvennus's clash with Melbourne Croatia, which is back in the top five after last Sunday's victory over Makedonia. With Harry Hird, Richard Miranda and Vince Bannon also missing, I fear Juventus is doomed to its fourth successive league defeat, especially since Tommy Cumming, David Brogan, Josip Biskic and Sean Parton are playing so well for Croatia.

Green Gully, which expects

Croatia
Green Gully, which expects
to be joined soon by defender
Brian Brown, captain of Scottish club Falkirk, looks good
for a win against SunshineGeorge Cross in the all-Maltess derby at Green Gully Reserve.

serve.

Another big clash in Sydney sees St. George budapest, with Pedre Riesey and Andrew Koezka in fine form, taking on Sydney Olympic at St. George Stadium. Here's another likely draw, as neither team will want to give even an inch to potentially lethal strikers Dez Marton, Robbie Slater, Marshall Soper and Peter Katholos.

Capherra Arrows thrashed.

Canberra Arrows thrashed Newcastle-Rosebud 4-0 away last Saturday, so it shold have little trouble against the same team at home on Sunday, with Frank Farina back in the

Ansett.

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
HEIDELBERG ALEXANDER	.7	3	3	24	14	17
B.U. JUVENTUS	.7	1	5	18	22	15
SM-HELLAS	6	2	5	16	11	14
MAKEDONIA	. 5	4	4	20	16	14
MELBOURNE CROATIA	. 5	4	4	18	20	14
Brisbane City	5	3	5	11	14	13
W. Adelaide Hellas	5	2	6	22	22	12
Footscray JUST	4	3	7	11	16	11
Adelaide C. Juventus	4	2	7	13	14	10
Brisbane Lions	3	4	6	15	20	10
Green Gully	3	4	6	11	17	10
Sun. George Cross	. 2	2	9	8	29	6

AUSTRALIAN CONFERENCE

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SYDNEY C. HAKOAH	9	3	1	36	9	21
SYDNEY OLYMPIC	6	5	2	25	13	17
MELITA EAGLES	6	5	2	14	11	17
APIA	6	4	3	20	15	16
BLACKTOWN	6	3	4	19	21	15
Marconi	6	2	5	29	19	14
St. G. Budapest	5	4	4	17	14	14
Canberra						
Sydney Croatia	4	4	5	16	22	12
Penrith	4	4	5	18	23	12
Newcastle Rosebud	. 5	1	8	16.	. 29	11
Wollongong	. 2	3	8	10	26	7

Bradley, Kosmina take clear lead

John Bradley of APIA is the clear leader in our Boral Bricks \$1500 player of the year award after being voted man of the match last Sunday.

John Kosmina has moved into second position, ahead of Tony Franken, and is also outright leader in the \$1000 Boral Bricks top scorer award, with a total of 13. Leadings vote-getters: 52. Bradley (APIA). 41. Kosmina (SC.) 40. Franken (Can). 36. P. Tredinnick (APIA). 35. Wade (GG). 34. Yankos (H'berg).

McPherson (ME), Wetherspoon (Pen).

wetherspoon (Pen).
31. Jackson (BL(, O'Reilly (GC), Farina
(Can), McIntosh (Pen).
30. Bromfield (BC). 29.
Murphy (SM), Kathlos
(SO), Wishart (BC),
McMillan (Mak).
8. Melia (AC) 28. Melta (AC)

27. Biskic (Melb Cr), Hoare (Black). 25. Liddell (BC), Mullen

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(AC), McCulloch (Marc). 24. Henderson (Marc). 23. Sproul (WA). Top scorers: 13. Kosmina (SC). 9. Brown (SM), Kathlos

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Lowe (Marc).
7. Bradley (APIA),
Marton (St.G), Farina
(Can), Arnold (Syd. Cr.).

Konstandopoulos (WA), Brandt (Newc).

6. Wotherspoon (Pen), Mc C ulloch (Marc), Winn (H'berg), Sweeney (J), Murray (SC), Flet-cher (SC), Seper (SO), Jankevics (Marc).

5.Malavasos (WA), Daunt, Cairne;y (BL), Farrugia (ME), Gojevic (Melb. Cr.), R.Brown

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

MELBOURNE CROATIA 1 (Antolovic 43m) PRESTON MAKEDONIA 0 at Olympic Park. Crowd: 3000 estimate. Ratings by Peter Desira.

MELB. GROATIA: Blasby 7, Deankovic 6 (Lewis 86th), Curcio 6, Parton 7, Hannah 7, Antolovic 7, Curming 9, Gojevic 8, Biskic 8, Markova 8 (Camplel 88th), Brogan 7. Coach: Tony Vizina.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Potter 7, Opasinis 8, McMillan 8, Dobson 7 (Bolevskil 76th), Dunn 9, Petrovski 6, Ilioski 6, Odzakov 8, Heys 8, Cole 6, Lucchesi 6 (Kotevskil 46m). Coach: Peter Ollerton.

Best six for Barisk best Player award: 6. Curming (MC, 5. Biskic (MC), 4. Odzakov (PM), 3. Heys (PM), 2. Dunn (PM), 1. Markovac (MC).

BRISBANE LIONS 4 (Cairney 13th, 16th, 54th, Daunt 61st) SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 2 (R. Maclaren 38th penalty, D. Maclaren 80th) at Richlands. Crowd: about 900. Ratings by Rocky Rosso.

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LONS: Farrow 8, Jackson 7, Charlton 8, Vasquez 8, Niven 7, R. Stewart 7, J. Stewart 7, Ogden 8, McDonagh 7, Daunt 7, Cairney 5. Coach:
Harry Noon.

SUNSHINE GC: Contini 5, Bennett 7, O Reilly 7, Richardson 6, Taylor 6 (Campbelj 77th), Jovanovic 6 (De Luca 74th), McGorian 8, R. Maclaren 7, Toal 6, D. Maclaren 7, Bain 6. Coach: Billy Wilkinson.

Best six for Boral Bricks best Player award 6. Cairney (Lons), 5. Vasquez (Lions), 4. Charlton (Lions), 3. McGorian (SGC), 2, R. Maclaren (SGC), 1, Farrow (Lions).

FOOTSCRAY JUST 1 (Belic 64th) GREEN GULLY 0. Crowd: 1000, at Schintler Reserve. Ratings by Ken Kon-

tica.

FOOTSCRAY JUST: Boland 7 — Curovic 6, McDowell 8, Hazabent 8, Kyriakouleas 8 — Carroll 8, Karic 7, O'Donnell 7, Bellic 7 — Lacmanovic 9 (Caban 90th), Lujic 7. Cosch: Cado Circovic.

GREEN GULLY: Denys 8 — McLelland 6, Cannell 8, Williams 7, Hogben 7 — Smalkman 6, Wade 8, Smart 7, Carter 5 — Lowis 5, McGuinness 5. Coach: Jimmy Rooney.

Best six for Baral Bricks best Player award: 6 Lacmanovic (JUST), 5. Hazabent (JUST), 4. Wade (GG), 3. Kyriakouleas (JUST), 2. Cannell (GG), 1. Carroll (JUST).

BRISBANE CITY 2 (Mengotti 25, Hamilton 90) ADEL-AIDE CITY JUVENTUS 1 (Villani 50), at Olympic Sports-

AIDE CITY JUVENTUS 1 (Villani 50), at Olympic Sportsfield, Ratings by Frank Pangallo.

BRİSBANE CITY Wishart 7 — Fabrizio 7, Bromfield 7, Milovanovic 7, Liddell 7 — Faloc 7 (Higgins 62), Pimblett 7, Swan 7, Mengotti 7 — Glockner 7, Hamilton 7, Coach: Jo Gillroy, ADELAIDE JUVENTUS: McNally 7 — Cecere 7, Nyskohous 7, Flounders 7, Tobin 7 — Melta 8, Scarpa 7, Villani 7, Maxwell 6 — Tallerico 6 (Gatenby 30, 6) Mullen 7, Coach: Edmond Kreft.

Best six for Boral Bricks best Player award: 6. Melta, 5. Milovanovic, 4. Liddell, 3. Tobin, 2. Cecere, 1. Fabrizio.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 2 (Brown 5th, Murphy 7th) WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 1 (Stametopoulos 88th) at Olympic Sports Field. Ratings by Frank Pangallo.
SOUTH MEBOURNE HELLAS: Laumeta 7 — Russell 7, Blair 7, Kalifatidis 7, Yzendoom 7 — Hallord 7, Crino 8, Davidson 8, Murphy 8 (Kiakos 58) — Egan 8, Brown 7. Coach: Len McKentry.
WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS: Spoul 8 — McGregor 6, McGachey 6, Honeyman 6, Papazoglou 6 (Brown 45, 6) — Atsslas 6, Manou 7, Panagis 6, Papadopoulos 6 (Stametalopoulos 75) — Kontsandopoulos 6, Malavazos 6. Coach: Sam Salabasidis.
Bast six for Borol Bricks best Player award: 6. Crino, 5. Davidson, 4. Murphy, 3. Egan, 2. Sproul, 1. Manou.

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER 3 (Yankos pen. 14th., Tzintzis 44th, Petersen 90th) BRUNSWICK-JUVENTUS 0 at Olympic Village. Crowd about 5000. Ratings by Laurie Schwab.

HEIDELBERG-A-LEXANDER: Olver 8 — Yankos 9 — McKie 9, Macleed 8, Gabrielson 8, Marley 8 (Metaxas 75th) — Angele 6, Selemidis 7, Salvo (Petersen 8, 40th) — Traintis 9, Valentine 8, coach: Faira Garvey, JUVENTUS: Keogh 8 — Geremia 8, Dowle 8 (sent off 66th), Rogers 7, Campbell 8 — Cullen 8, Lioyd 9, Swinscoe 8 — Sweeney 6, Ward 6, Zinni 7, Coach: John Margaritis.

Best six for Boral Bricks best Player award: 6 Tzintzis (H), 5, Lloyd (J), 4, McKie (H), 3, Yankos (H), 2, Swinscoe (J), 1, Campbell (J).

AUSTRALIAN C ONFERENCE WOLLONGONG 0 SYDNEY CROATIA 1 (Arnold) at collongong Showground. Crowd 1400. Ratings by Philip Wollonge Micallef:

WOLLONGONG: Vardareff 7, Green 6, Fleming 5, VLietstra 6, Hris-tovski 5, Willis 5, BUndalo 6, COndran 6 (Canwin 76th), Kotamanidis 5, Dickson 6, Fontana 5. GROATIA: Watson 7, Woods 6, Sterrey 6, Drinkwater 6, Tomesic 8, Kovacic 6 (Meades 80th), Boden 7 (Godzik 64th), Savor 6, Clinch 6,

nold 6, Rezo 6. Best Six: Boden, 5 Vardareff, 4 Watson 3, Kovacic, 2 Vlietstra, 1

MARCONI 2 (Lowe 39th, Jankovics 47th) PENRITH 1 (Cotton 50th) at Marconi Stadium. Crowd 811. Ratings by Alex Vesic:

MARCONI: James 7 (Mariani 46th - 7), — Carter 6, Henderson 8, sideran 5, Rizotto 6. — McCulloch 6, Jankovics 5, Mason 6, — Lowe Brown 5, Shame 6. — Royal 6, McIntosh 8, Cross 6, Hale 6, Fitzharris Vetherspoon 6, Campbell 8, Cotton 7, Easthorpe 5 (Hunter 66th),

Best six for the Boral Bricks Player of the year award: 6 Henderson, 5 Campbell, 4 McIntosh, 3 Lowe, 2 Jackson, 1 Fitzharris.

ST GEORGE BUDAPEST 4 (Barton 28th, Batten 35th, Koczka 38th & 86th) BLACKTOWN CITY 0 at St George Stadium. Ratings by George Streeter:
ST GEORGE Greedy 7, Skeen 7, Ratiliffe 8, M. O'Shea 7, Ricoy 7 (Petkovski 62nd 7), Barton 8, Stone 8, J. O'Shea 8, Koczka 8, Slater 9, Batten 8, Coach Frank Arok.
BLACKTOWN CITY: Hoare 6, Wheatley 7, Dunleavy 6, Pointer 6, Shaw 5 (Quarmby 46th-5), Selvage 7, McLaughlin 6, Byrne 6, Sandy 6 (Wellbourne 62nd-5), Larkin 7, Mountford 5, Coach: Casey De Bruin. Best six for the Boral Bricks player of the year award: 6 Slates, 5 Koczka, 4 Barton, 3 Ratcliffe, 2 J O'Shea, 1 Batten (All St George).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (C. Kelantzis 78th) APIA LEIGH-HARDT 1 (J. Bradley 6th) at Pratten Park, crowd 4029. Ratings by Mick Mikolajczyk.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: G. Meier 7, G. Haniotis 7, A. Lambropoulos 7, M. Coady 7, M. Rogers 7, G. Philips 6 (Koussas 45th 6), P. Roskopoulos 7, J. Patikas 6, P. Kathalos 6, N. Theodorskopoulos 7, M. Soper 6 (C. Kalantzis 75th). Coach: M. Schaelfer APIA LEICHHARDT: B. Parkes 7, V. Bozanic 7, A. Bertogna 7, M. Pullen 7, M. Brown 7, T. Butler 7, L. Gray 8, P. Tredinnick 8, J. Bradley 8, K. Caban 7, T. Morsello 7, Coach: P. Bottalfocianick (APIA), 4 L. Gray (APIA), 3 P. Tredinnick (APIA), 4 L. Gray (APIA), 3 P. Raskopoulos (SO), 2 G. Meier (SO), 1 M. Rogers (SO). SC HAKOAH 2 (Kosmina 49 and 80) MELITA EAGLES O at Sydney Athlatic Field. Crowd: 2500. Ratings by Peter Scott.

HAKOAH: Pezzano 9-Cant 7 (Rodgrigues 60th), Gomez 9, Robertson

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HAKOAH Pezzano 9-Cant 7 (Rodgrigues 60th), Gomez 9, Robertson 8, De Marigny 7, Kay 8 (Fletcher 46, 7) Watson 7, Barnes 8, Lee 7, Kosmina 9, Murray 7, Cosch: Eddie Thomeson.

MEUTA EAGLES: McPherson 8, McAusland 7, McGinn 7, Wilson 8, Tredinnick 6, Allan 6, Davidse 6 (McKle 58), Griffiths 7 — Duarte 5, (McDonald 79). Jamieson 6, Johnston 6. Coach: Raul Blanco.

Best Six for Borad Bicks Best Player Award: 6 Kosmina, 5 Gomez, 4
Pezzano, 3 Barnes (all Hakoah), 2 Wilson (Melita), 1 Key (Hakoah).

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NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD UNITED 0 (0) CANBERRA
ARROWS 4 (2) (20th Gisbon penalty 22nd Reis 89th Perinovic 90th Reis), Crowd: 1496. At Adamstown Oval:
Corwd Ratings by Joe Lanzonis.

NEWCASTLE: Gosling 7, Maier 7, Power 6, BOogaardt 6, Thompson 6, Kertby 7, Senkastik 6, Brandt 7, Milosevic 6, Todd 6, (61st McQuary 6) Jones 6, Coach Willie Gallaghar.

CANBERRA: Franken 7, Mihallidis 6, Redmond 7, Harkins 7, Jones 7, Hogg 8, Sermanni 7, Brockshak 7, (79th Bryant) Gloson 8, Phillips 8, Reis 8, Coach: Doug Collins (84th Peronovic):
Best six for Boral Bricks best player award 6 Reis (C.A.), 5 Gibson (C.A.), 4 Hogg (C.A.), 3 Phillips (C.A.), 2 Gosling (N), 1 Harkins (CA).



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Bozanic misses, Kalantzis ties match

Svd Olympic 1 APIA 1

Scorers: C. Kelantzis (SO) 18th, J. Bradley (APIA) 6th. At Pratten Park Cautions: Patikes (SO), Ber-ogna (A), Morsello (A). Crowd: 4029 Reforee: Tim Devies 8.

In an exciting and brui-sing tussle at Pratten Park Sydney Olympic showed a lot of courage to rally and snatch a point from high flying APIA.

Referee Tim Davies did well to hand out only three yellow cards as both teams played it hard, just the way their re-

spective coaches did a little more than a decade ago.

Perennial rival APIA seemed to have the young Olympians well in hand for long periods but could not turn that superiority into a decisive

that superiorly into a victory.

APIA went ahead as early as the 6th minute. Diminutive dynamo John Bradley collected Terry Butler's deft-through pass, turned into space in the penalty area and speared the ball into the net.

The early lead should have been extended in the 31st minute when striker Kerry Caban intercepted Ian Gray's shot but was brought down 10 metres from goal by down 10 metres from goal by duty Gary Meier's outstretched hand.



Vic Bozanic stepped up to ne spot and smashed the ball nto the crossbar.

Olympic regained its breath but it wasn't long before it was under the hammer again.

APIA was confident and put-ting together many attractive moves, principally through Bradley and Tredinnick who

the Match: JOHN BRADLEY (APIA)

featured with their crisp and constructive interpassing.

However that vital finishing touch was lacking and the visitors proceeded to miss a successive array of chances.

Olympic on the other hand ooked tired and lethargic, actionists the representaparticularly the representa-tive trio of Soper, Patikas and Katholos. They were notice-ably affected by the gruelling schedule of matches and their game suffered accordingly.

Gone was their snarpness, fluency and flair and sometimes tempers were easily frayed.

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For the first 15 minutes of the second half Olympic came more into the game but only mustered one clear cut chance which fell to replacement striker Mark Koussas.

By the 56th minute APIA was back in control and should have gone further ahead.

Kerry Caban robbed Pati-

Kerry Caban robbed Pati-kas, drew the defence and squared the ball to unmarked Bradley who watched in dis-belief as his effort went wide of Meier and the goal. As APIA was heavily com-mitted to attack Olympic was

forced to rely on breakaways. In the 75th minute Peter Raskopoulos engineered one such break for Marshall Soper but as the big striker raced into the clear his legs gave out and a certain goal went begging.

Three minutes later Raskopoulos again provided the teling cross into the area where replacement winger Chris Kalantzis climbed over Tery Butler to power in the equaliser.

Butter to power in the service.

From then on the action was frenetic as APIA pulled out all stops to regain the lead. Caban and Bozanic came close and in the last minute an almighty chaose ensued in Meier's goal as Bradley, then Butter and innally Tredinnick tried to put the ball away.

Both coaches we glad to hear the final whistle.

Olympic's Manfred Schaefer was full of praise for his defenders, particularly debutee George Haniotis at right back and the smile on his face reflected his joy at salvaging one point from what looked like a bleak afternoon for his young side.

Meanwhile APIA's Fil Bottalico could only ponder his vide's missed chances.

"We created six great chances and couldn't win. In football anything can happen."
"As for the penalty, better players have missed before."

Juventus 0

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Scorors: Yankos pen 14th, Tzintzis 44th, Petarsen 90th. Venue: Olympic Village. Crowd: about; 5000. Referee: Sam Zoumas S. Cautions: Sweeney (J), Yankos (II). Sant off: Dowlo (J) 66th. Paul Tzintzis strengthened his reputation as one of the most skilful break-away forwards in the NSL, shouldering the responsibility of carrying Heidelberg's attack in the absence of Scott Patterson and Steve Wim who are suspended for two matches. He was set to score in the 14th minute, when Billy Regers' tackle resulted in a pensengen of the pensengen of the pensengen of the pensengen of the game just before half time. Tzintzis, signed early this year from South Oakleigh, also scored in two of Heidelberg's three National Cup matches—against Green (Gult (2.2)) and with the pensengen of the pensengen (Gult (2.2)) and with the pensengen (Gult (2.2)) and with the pensengen of the pen

ventus.
Petersen had not been included in the starting line-up because illness had prevented him from training during the week. When he did come on, he added valuable height and skill to the forward line.
Juventus, playing without Vince Bannon, Harry Hird, Richard Miranda and with Fabio Incantalupo still unavailable due to injury, certainly had its share of problems.
And after its recent port, there is little light at the end of the tunnel, for it will lose also Joe Sweeney, who is due to have an operation for kichney stones. Petersen had not been in-



Laurie Schwab

George Cross (although in that match, Juventus fielded its youth team), and also lost to George Cross and Makedonia in its two NSL matches before last Sunday's round.

Once three points clear at the top, Juve now has dropped two points behind Heidelberg, but still holds second place.

Heidelberg coach Brian Garvey lined up with John Gabrielson and Don Maclon Garvey lined up with John Gabrielson and Don Maclon Gary Ward and Joe Sweeney, and with Charlie Yankos sweeping behind them efficiently.

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The full backs, particularly lan McKie, played the attacking roles that Alan Davidson and Graham Jennings play in the national team.

Despite the player of Jenes and may overing chances, and may overing chances, and most of the play in the first half, due to the midfield play of Rob Cullen who, unfortunately, became much less conspicuous after half time. Kevin Lloyd took over then, and put in a hard-running, gutsy performance, never giving up although fighting a losing battle.

Greek comedian Harry Klein, in Melbourne for a number of concerts, kicked off the match and there was Greek singing and dancing at half time, to the delight of the 5000 crowd.

After Yankos had scored

half time, to the dengm v. 5000 crowd.
After Yankos had scored from the penalty spot in the 14th minute, Yankos had to resort to a foul to keep out Rob Cullen who was coming through in a one-two with Andrew Zinni. Referee Sam Zoumas showed Yankos the

Andrew Zinni. Referee Sam Zoumas showed Yankos the yellow card. Then Cullen shot narrowly past the post after skirting the defenders at the edge of the box, and Sweeney missed,

Partie

Heidelberg star Paul Tzintzis (centre) runs

into Juventus sweeper John Dowie who later was sent off. At right is Joe Angele. Picture:

LES SHORROCK.

the Match: PAUL TZINTZIS (Heidelberg)

quite unbelievably, from only a metre after Zinni had played the ball square. Kevin Swinscoe took off Marcelo Salvo in a strong run forward, and missed narrowly with his shot, just before Pe-tersen came on to replace Salvo.

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Tzintzis flashed into play with much bravado, dashing past Billy Rogers and John Dowie before squaring the ball in the direction of Mike Valentine at the far post. Goalkeer, dived to intercept the pass before it could reach Valentine.

At the other end, Jeff Olver At the other end, Jeff Olver

made a brilliant reflex save to stop a header by Gary Ward, from a corner by Swinscoe.

Juventus was well in the game, but its hopes were dashed seconds before half time. Yankos took a free kick on the right, Macleed headed it square into the box, and Tzintzis, after bringing it down with his foot right in front of Keegh, turned to face the open goal and made no mistake from barely a metre.

Heidelberg started the second half with venom. McKie, after surging forward sent a wicked, bouncing shi sent a wicked, bouncing shi sent a wicked, bouncing shi wits to turn it for a corner. Keegh made another good save, this time from Valentine, who had side-stepped Rogers after a through pass from Tzintzis.

Macleod and Lloyd went town in heavy clash on the touchline. With Macleod on his back with his feet up, and Lloyd going over him on Macleod's studs, it appeared that Lloyd would come out if feeling pretty sick. As it was however, it was Macleod who copped the worst of it, playing for the rest of the match with a bump the size of an apple at the side of his head.

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Frame Germin in the 70th minute, and then Steve Marley was injured in a challenge with Rogers, and had to leave the field with a knee injury. John Metaxas came on to replace him.

Keogh was forced into action again, pouncing at the feet of Taintzis who had run into the box, and then Petersen raced away from the half line, with Rogers chassing him. Petersen would surely have sooned, but Rogers brought him down with a professional foul from behind. Juventus managed a late flurry with first Sweeney having a shot cleared off the line by McKie, and then Zinni hitting the crossbar.

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Then, during injury time at the end of the match, Valentine sent over a corner and Petersen rose to head it in off the underside of the crossbar to make the score 3-0.



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And in the 85th minute, another flix.

And in the 85th minute, 20umas walked to the Juventus bench and ordered coach John Margaritis to leave because he was using abusive language.

Keogh was forced into action again, pouncing at the



West Adelaide goalkeeper Gary Sproul thwarts SM-Hellas players Charlie Egan and John Yzendoorn. d, from left: Steve Blair, Nick Malavasos, Graham Honeyman, Chris Manou, John Papazoglou (ri, FRANK HOBBS.

Midfield in majestic form

SM-Hellas 2 WA-Hellas 1

Scorers: SM-Hellas-Brown 5th Murphy 7th. WA-Hellas-Stamatelopoulos 88th. Venue: Olympic Sportsfield. Cautions: Manou, Pepazog-lou, Atsales (WA), Yzendoorn, Halford (SM). Referee: A. Martell 5.

With such an imposing team and the way it opened, it certainly looked like South Melbourne Hellas would maul its young and inexperienced Adelaide counterpart.

Within seven minutes the Victorians had Westad beaten.

Doug Brown made the most of an Alan Davidson pass after a dash deep into Westad's half. Within a further two minutes, the Adelaide side was in arrears by two goals when Ken Murphy slotted home a rebound after Charlie Egan had struck the far post.

South Melbourne Hellas, with far superior technical with far superior technical skills and understanding, simply brushed Westad aside with arrogant ease.

South made it look easy . . . and made Westad look second rate scrubbers.

Egan was giving the Westad defence something to chase. His penetrating runs passing and his intuitive teamwork with Doug Brown often had Westad in dire straits.

And in midfield there was a chasm between the class of Crino, Davidson and Murph and the plodding Westad midfield combination that showed as much authority as an Athens cop in a massive trafficiam.

Westad's attack was blunt and ineffectual. It really looked like Hellas was set to go on the rampage and it was something of a surprise that the score remained at 2-0 at the break.

But South threatened to bring itself undone by its cocksure attitude.

A few incidents behind the play had fired up the locals who were constantly frustrated by South's skilled taunts.

Blair unceremoniously felled young Papadopoulos and the incident, missed by the of-ficials, resulted in Papado-poulos having a rush of blood to the head. For the final 10 minutes or so, Konstando-poulos and some of his team-mates seemed more intent on settling physical scores.

South seemed to go off the boil once Murphy had left the field nursing a bloodied and most probably broken nose. Westad, in its inarticulate

By FRANK PANGALLO

style, pushed forward late in the game and tested Laumets for the first time in the entire match just eight minutes from the whistle.

the whistle.

Substitute Theo Stamatelopoulos pulled one back for Westad in the 86th minute with

a sizzling 20-metre volley that left Laumets motionless. It was Gary Sproul in the West goal who foiled what may have been a greater victory. He thwarted Brown three times in the second half, all one-on-one situations.

Man of the Match:

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Man of the Match: KEN BODEN

Revenge Croatia

Wollongong 0 Syd. Croatia 1

Vanue: Wollongong Showground
Crowd: 1490
An opportunist goal by
Croatia striker Arnold
midway through second half enabled the
visitors to make up for an
earlier defeat against Wollongong City.
The Wolves had beaten
Croatia at Dapto two months
ago but were no match to the
Sydneysiders this time.
In a scrappy match which
hardly ever rose above mediocrity, Croatia grabbed the
all-important goal when
Arnold was quick to get his
foot to a beaded pass from
Savor and sip the ball into the
met.

The visitors, without setting any houses on fire, were always the better side and in the first half midfielder Boden came close to see the came close to scoring when his shot from close range hit the

crossbar.

After the break Croatia had another chance when a free kick from Boden whistled past the upright with Vardareff Baten.

Baten.
Wollongong's only chance came in the dying minutes when a first time shot from defender Willis was turned out for a corner with difficulty by Watson.







Cross wants Wilson,

Taylor and Faulkner

Bris Lions 4 Sunshine GC 2

Scorers: Lions — Caimey 13th, 16th, 54th, Daunt 61st; Sunshine — R. Maclaron 36th Pen, D. Maclaren 30th Venue: Richlands Stadium. Cautions: Bennett (SCG), Daunt (L). Refaros: Rill Maclaria

Daunt (L).

Referee: Bill Monteverde 8.

Richard Wilson, Ken
Taylor and Jeff Faulkner are the targets for Sunshine George-Cross coach
Billy Wilkinson after his
side was demolished by the
Joe Cairney — inspired
Brisbane Lions at Richlands.

lands.
Wilkinson said after his side lost 4-2 that he needed at least two of the trio and hopefully could get all three.
Asked whether the club could afford to sign the three players, Wilkinson replied: "The Maltese will find the money."

players, Wilkinson replied:

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money,"

Wilson, the former Preston
No. I keeper, must be Wilkinson's prime target. With Tom
Costello off the scene, the
keeper's job has gone back to
Alan Contini. And sadly for
Sunshine, he is not in National
League class.

Although he made one or
two brave saves during the
match, for the most part his
handling was hesitant and the
Lions forwards waited eagerly
for the dropped ball.

And it was from a Contini
mistake that Joe Cairney
netted his first in a hat-trick
display which ranked as his
best performance since
coming to Brisbane from Scotland more than two years ago.

The ball came in from the
left from a Russell Stewart
corner. John Charlton rose at
the near post, as did Contini,
but the Sunshine keeper made
a mess of his attempt and the



Ricky Rosso

fell for Cairney only a metre out.

Three minutes later Lions combined brilliantly as a team to make Sunshine-George Cross look little more than average State League side.

Charlton, who like Cairney has found new and exciting form, dribbled out of the penalty box and passed a neat ball Jackson Alexbon knocked a long ball to Cairney to make a brilliantly timed pass to Cairney to race away.

O'Reilly made a vallant attempt to cut off the Lions striker, but Cairney, using his over-the-ball shuffle, wrong-footed everyone and had little trouble slotting his shot under Contini.

Three minutes later Cairney.

Three minutes later Cairney had another breakaway, but in one of his few good saves, Contini raced off his line and smothered the shot.

Ross Maclaren put Sunshine

Ross Maclaren put Sunshine back in the game in the 38th minute when he easily beat Lions keeper Rob Farrow with a penalty after Charlton had foolishly handballed, seemingly thinking Referee Bill Monteverde was unsighted. In injury time of the first half, Farrow made a great save to prevent the had-working Mick McGorian score what would have been a disastrous goal for Lions and one which

the Match: JOE CAIRNEY (Bris. Lions)

could have turned the game Sunshine's way.

The first half had been an aggressive affair and the second obviously was set to continue the same. Fullback Chris Taylor was extremely lucky not to get his marching orders after clashing with Daunt. But in the end, he escaped without a caution.

Shortly after, Gerry Bennett got a yellow card for a tackle on Cairney and two minutes later the Brisbane striker answered in the best possible way when he ran onto a Daunt headflick to round Contini and score his hat-trick.

Lions put the issue beyond doubt when they scored seven minutes later and it was sheer brilliant skill from John Ogden that created the goal.

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Jim McDonagh played a weak cross to the near-post but rather than give the ball up to Contini, Ogden raced in and cleverly spun it around the Sunshine keeper and into the soalmouth.

Sunshine keeper and into the goalmouth.

Although the ball probably would have crossed the goal-line anyway, Daunt took no chances and raced in to shuffle tinto the net.

Lions seemed content to stick to their lead and complacency let Sunshine in for a last attacking burst. Farrow was brilliant in palming away a Ross Maclaren freekick from just outside the box but a minute later could only get a hand to a Dom Maclaren shot which eventually found the net after hitting the upright.

Respectfully Mr Blanco, Hakoah's just too good

Melita 0

Referee: Richard Lorenc 7. Venue: Sydney Athletic

Cautions: Allan and McAus-and (Melita), Barnes (Ha-

land (Molita), Barnes (Ha-koah).
Melita coach Raul Blanco felt his team trea-ted Hakoah with "too much respect" in this clash of the table toppers— and let me say right at the outset that the respect is well deserved.

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No less than six of Hakoah's stars returned from Socceroo duty just the day before this fixture and were definitely feeling the worse for it.

But eight international matches over the last few weeks, including two in the Thursday and Friday prior to the Mellita game, was not enough to put this team of true champions of its game.

Cach Eddle Cammson's claim afford well have been a flowner six goal walloping if all chances were converted, that "we have an outstanding brunch of players" its spot on. Tuesday night at training, then it's back to normal," he said. The Hakoah coach was particularly pleased with the verve and determination shown by his charges right up to the final whistle, long after the match was well and truly won and ignoring tired legs and, perhaps, even more tired minds.



Peter Scott

As for Blanco, he faces the awesome prospect of playing the mighty Blues again this coming Sunday, under the weird and not quite wonderfal system which is this year's NSL.

"Even though we'll be at home on Sunday, it will make no difference — Hakoah is equally good anywhere," he said.

said.

To compound his problems, goalie Alex McPherson is a very doubtful starter following a heavy clash with Hakoah skipper Murray Barnes early on.

skipper Murray Barnes early on.
Prior to their tussle for a loose ball, McPherson was in brilliant form, saving once from Willie Murray and on three occasions from John Kosmina, when goals looked likely.
Although the injury to McPherson's right hand was serious mugh to warrant serious many the match, the McIta custodian insisted on playing out the match.
Brave, but irresponsible, and he was extremely fortunate that Hakoah's strikers failed to test him fully in a match which they dominated for extended periods.

Man of the Match: JOHN KOSMINA (Svd. C. Hakoah)

Scoring was not opened until four minutes after the break when Fletcher rounded oppo-nents during the course of a 40 metre sprint from half way.

metre sprint from half way.
His shot, low and hard, was blocked by the brave McPherson, but Kosmina showed his customary sharp anticipation to be on the spot for the rebound, which he easily put into the back of the net.

Melita had its only chance 22 minutes later when Johnston robbed Robertson 25 metres out, only to see his well-placed shot gloriously saved by Tony Pezzano.

Pezzano.

With ten minutes left, Barnes intercepted a loose ball on the halfway line, immediately lofting it on to Kosmina.

The Socceroo skipper easily outpaced the Melita defence and calmly shot into the left corner of the goal.

Hakoah did have some casu-alties, Paul Kay and Jim Cant both leaving the game before the end, the former with a leg injury and the latter with a pulled muscle in his back.

They have a week to heal and Steve O'Connor, resting last Sunday, also will be on

call.
As for Melita, rookie Goalie
Bill Landos will fill in for
McPherson, who is not expected to recover in time.

Man of

the Match:

SERGE MELTA

(Ad. Juventus)

Melta stakes Socceroo claim

By FRANK PANGALLO

Bris. City 2 Ad Juventus 1

Scorers: Mengotti 25th, milton 90th (BC); Villani Oth (AC).

venue: Olympic Sportsfield. Send Offs: Pimblett (BC) exwell (AC)

Maxwell (AC)
Cautions: Bromfield (BC)
Glockner (BG), Mullen (AC)
Refaroc: J. Rossis 5.
Adelaide City Juventus
let another game slip
through its grasp.

After clawing itself back into the game and dominating a sloppy second half, Juve saw at least one point disappear through a defensive lapse in the last seconds of the game. Things had looked grim for Brisbane City, which had taken the lead midway through the first half when a shot by Frank Mengotti slipped through the fingers of the Juve keeper, McNally.

Despite its pand first half

keeper, McNally.

Despite its good first halt showing, it couldn't contain Sergio Melta's midfield dominance and within five minutes of the restart, chubby Charley Villani had levelled the scores.

Juve's Italian import Nello Scarpa, after a quiet first half, added his creative flair and striker Joe Mullen looked in a menancing mood.

Then Brisbane lost Frank

handle the the recipient of a hasty red card after a late but hardly spiteful challenge on the rugged Bugsy Nyskohous. The game looked headed for a draw when referee Jim Rossis showed Maxwell the way to an early shower after the Juve midfielder made a pointed criticism, tarnished with one or two expletives. Cn one of its rare breaks, Brisbane seized upon a defensive lapse when Hamilton burst into the area when Hamilton burst into the area when Hamilton burst into the area when the surface of the bust of the players after the players after the players after the player after the player after the player after the player after the players didn't suit the kind of skills he possesses. Now all he needs to do is convince the national coach that he is indeed worthy of a place in the Australian squad. He couldn't do much worse than some already given a chance in both "A" and "B" squads. That's been a most familiar post-mortem of late but Juve and Kreft have done little to

rectify the poor finishing or lack of shooting power from outside the area. The positive aspect was Sergio Melta's sparkling form, in conditions which really didn't suit the kind of skills he possesses.

Warren and 0/28 kick off new series

By PETER WINDSOR

The Special Broadcasting Service — operator of the 0-28 television network in Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra — is about to produce fourteen 15-minute videos covering all facets of the game — from beginners to top coaching techniques.

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And they will be shown in prime television time on "On the Ball" each Menday and Tuesday evening.

The series has been negotimes the 0-28 by well-known accor personality. Johnny Warath to Australian institute of Sport and Charlie Perkins, paleant of Canberra Arrows.

Announcing this, Warran said the series would be available to all clubs and soccer and schools throughout Australia through SBS's Marketing Division from this end of July.

Filming for the series will be done entirely in Canberra — and will feature to the AIS youngsters and its coach, Jimmy Shouddin, the boar of the AIS youngsters and its coach, Jimmy Shouddin, the boar series will also feature, in each spisode, a brief 'Luws of the Game' asgenet featuring former top referee Tony Boskovic.

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The asgment, in full, would cover:

• basic skills for beginners, featuring Farina, Alan Davidson and Tony Franken on goalkeeper skills;

• a schoolteacher/parents segment to show them how they can teach children skill-oriented fun games;

• The Australian Institute of Sport and its approach in segments shoule's 'Lews of the Game' and

• personality pieces on some of the world's top stars.

"I believe this series can only benefit the game. We will begin filming on July 1. This has been months in the melting ot but the series should be top class," Warren sald.

"And what's more SBS has said if this pilot series succeeds there could be more of the same."

Warning! Saints to pounce! David Batten charged downfield to pick up a low cross from Peter Stone before slipping it to Barton whose low drive from the edge of the box gave Hoare

St George 4 Blacktown0

Scorers: Barton 28th, tton 35th, Koczka 38th,

Ground: St George Stadium

Ground: St George Stadium Referen: Doug Rennia 9.
Beware Saints!
The warning signs were at Barton Park for all to see following Saints' effortless victory over Blacktown City. Had the score been eight or even 10-0 to St George it wouldn't have been undeserved.

Frank Arok, the Saints coach and Australia's mastermind, was fully aware of the bite the Demons have, for it was Balcktown

Man of the Match:

ROBBIE SLATER (St George)

City which beat Saints in City which beat Saints in Marconi Stadium. To add to Arok's troubles, Dez Marton was out of the side with a hamstring injury. However, the return of David Skeen as well as four internationals gave St George the boost needed

George the boost needed for success. And with David Batten, Andy Koc-zka, Mark Barton and Robbie Slater in out-



standing form, it was no surprise to see the home team well on the way to victory well before the

break.

It was Arok's turn to claim tactical victory as his youngsters scored three goals in 10 minutes to floor the Demons. And



none was more impressive than the opening goal, scored by Barton.

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chance. Batten was in the thick

to score from the ensuing melee.
Only three minutes later Koczka floored the Demons with a great shot from the edge of the penalty area following yet another great build up.
Slater was the chief destroyer making life terribly difficult for Shaw, then his replacement Michael Quarmby. In fact Slater was named man of the match and was given a freezer for his effort by St George's new sponsor, Lemair.

You might say that Saints froze its opponent in the second half and had Batten, Koczka and Barton converted their chances each would have picked up a hat-trick!

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However, Saints did
manage to strike again
with Koczka latching onto
a through pass from
Barton to score close to
the end.



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Bruce James was re-placed at half time, suffering double vision, and Bertie Mariani got his wish to play in goal as Marconi notched its second victory over Pen-rith in this year's pre-

rith in this year's premiership.

If you ad two missed penalties, Willie Wallace being sent
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missed and some worful decisions by the referee one might
say that it was all worth a trip
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Sadly, only some 800 people
gathered at Bossley Park and
one could not blame Marconi's
president for predicting doom
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of soccer should this trend con-tinue.
"If this goes on we must ask ourselves just how long can we last. We have to pay the wages, overheads and the rest and it is difficult to do with empty stands," said Ron Cav-agnino as he surveyed the ground.

emply stands, sau von Cavaganino as he surveyed the ground. In fact the sad part about the crowd attendance was the barren Supporters' stand at the eastern end of the ground, with only the marching girls in attendance, and a few boys. Penrith must rue its second half performance, with Mariani sitting between the sticks for the home side.

Belleve it or not, only one shot was on target during 45 minutes of the second half and that was by Flizharris, more like a back pass then a shot. As die we clear-cut chances but Lowe, McCulloch and Brown manted the los.

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Lowe, McCulloch and Brown sunfed the lob.

Towe was through in the 60th to face Gibson, but the Penrith keeper was quick to charge out of his area and managed to get his fingertips to the ball. The linesman kept his flag down and the referee, with international matches still on his mind, allowed play to go on with Marconi losing the edge.

still on me to go on with March the edge. Tommy McCulloch latched prefect through ball by

Tommy McCulloch latched from a perfect through ball by for a perfect through ball by Lowe and Gibson was exposed again but the shot went over the bar. Peter Sharne did like wise during the first half as did Brian Jackson for Penrith. Penrith had the chance to draw first blood as Donald Campbell eluded Steve Calderan to stroll into the penalty area. As Campbell veered to his right in an effort to beat another Marconi player, Calderan fell on him from behind and Penrith was given the spot kick.

Ian Wotherspoon, with six

Ian Wotherspoon, with six goals to his name, missed and let Marconi off the hook. A few

Players available

Gordon Smith, a midfielder or defender who played for St. Johnstone, Aston Villa, Spurs and Wolves, wants to play in Australia

Australia.
Smith, 31, can be contacted on 021 308 7741 (England).
Other players available are:
Gary Westwood, 21, goalkeeper, England youth international of Ipswich Town (6473 73948) and John Pasterson, midfelder, 23, from the Scottish Juniors (Glasgow 951-40D).

Man of the Match: TONY HENDERSON (Marconi)

minutes later Bruce James was injured after an over-enthusiastic tackle by 17-yearold Randall Easthorpe. The game was stopped for some six minutes as James lay motionless on the ground. Despiter returning to goal, James had to be replaced at half time suffering double vision.

Marconi's first goal came from a goalmouth scrimmage and following a free kick by Joe Rizotto. Gibson missed the ball and Lowe turned to score from close range.

be National Lowe turned to see from close range. Soon after the restart Low had his chance for number two after Peter Sharne was brought down by Micky Cross but the penalty by Lowe was saved by Gibson. In came Jankovics to left-floot #+bmme for Marconi's number two. Only three minutes later Marconi was exposed on the left flank with Paul Carter away from his fullback position and Brian Jackson fired a cross which was tucked away by Cotton, with Mariani a mere spectator.

Foots JUST 1

Green Gully 0

Crowd: 1000 Caution: Cannell (GG),

Goth.
Referee: Chris Bambridge 8.

Former Red Star Bel-grade striker Dragan Lac-

manovic completely de-moralised a pedestrian and unimaginative Green Gully, creating many scor-ing opportunities for him-self and his colleagues.

Only bad luck, and some desperate last-line defensive work prevented JUST from considerably improving its' goal difference in this match'

goal difference in this match.

In the first half. Lacmanovic had two headers and a shot saved on the goal line with Lou Denys beaten; Joe Carroll tested the custodian with a powerful volley, and a shot

Newc-Rosebud 0

Canberra 4

Scorer: Belic 64th Venue: Schintler Re



Tommy Cumming — Croat Makedonia - Croatia's best against

acmanovic turns

Ken Kontra from the edge of the penalty area was deflected over the

area was deflected over the bar. In reply, Gully managed only one shot on target before half time, an effort by Les Carter in the 28th minute which Dennis Boland was unable to hold affirst but grabbed at his second attempt before any damage was done. The second half followed the same pattern, JUST stringing together passes almost at will, with Lacemanovic prominent in attack, but somehow Gully

Dobson and Lucchesi out injured

Melb Croatia 1 Makedonia 0

Venue: Olympic Park Reforee: J. Fokianos 6 Cautions: Curcio (MC) Makedonia's Surge up the National Conference table was brought to a halt by Melbourne Croatia but coach Peter Ollerton laid the blame squarely on the international series just concluded.

concluded.

"Australia must be the only country in the world which stops a league campaign for four weeks to slot in an international series," Olierton said. "We had been having a good run before the stoppage, with victories over the top sides like Juventus, Hellas and West Adelaide.

like Juventus, Hellas and West Adelaide.
"But today was like starting all over again and it was very difficult for the players to get the feeling back."
Makedonia lost the match to a goal by Jazo Antolovic two minutes from the break after being outplayed for most of the first hall.

other hand never found its rhythm, had no forward line to speak of and with the ex-ception of Paul Wade, its mid-field was well beaten on the

"I had a go at the players at half time — it almost looked like they were having a holiday out there," Ollerion said. "In the second half we showed ourselves a more and could have got something out of it but you can't win a game if you don't put the ball awy."

Makedonia's star midfielder Zarko dzakov had ady land attender Zarko dzakov had zarkowa zark

for the midfielder who blasted it over the bar.
Makedonia's second-half dominance just slightly over-shadowed Melbourne Croaties first-half performance in which Steve Potter was kept busy stopping shots from Steve Gojevic, Cumming and Shaun Parton.

busy stropping snote are of Gojevic, Cumming and Shaun Parton.
Cumming cottoned onto a poor clearance after only two minutes of play to hit a shot on the volley which the keeper did well to hold.
Cumming has started using delicate, chipped free kicks—a la John Gardiner — and created two clearcut chances for Croatia from two such set pieces.
In the l6th minute, his short lob over the defensive wall

In the 16th minute, his short lob over the defensive wall from just outside the area found Gojevic but the mid-fielder's first touch was poor and the chancce went begging. The second one, just three minutes into the second half, worked better and brought the best save of the game from Potter.

This time Cumming's free-kick found Parton and the centre back's strong header downwards was destined for the back of the net until Potter literally flew sideways to palm

the back of the net until Potter literally flew sideways to palm the ball away before it crossed the line.

Inevitably Cumming was in-volved in the winning goal scored just before halftime.

The tiny midfleider's corner kick was only half cleared to the edge of the box and Jozo Antolovic was on hand to send a header wide of the diving Makedonia goalkee-per.

Croatija coach Tony Unice

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Croatia coach Tony Vrzina
at the moment is sticking to
the same formation that the
side has been playing to under
Terry Hennessy and
Cumming.
But he eventually wants to
make it a more attacking formation and has every intentio
of using Cumming further forward.

ward.
"The players are playing under their third coach for the season and I don't want to unsettle the pattern too early.
"But it's obvious Cumming."

"But it's obvious Cumming will have to move further forward soon. He is too good a player to play in such a deep lying role and on the wing is his best chance to continue pressing for a recall to the national team," Vraina said. Croatia had two well-established players — Peter Lewis and Jim Campbell on the

Croatia had two well-established players — Peter Lewis and Jim Campbell on the bench — but that too will change in the near future. Lewis was returning after playing for the Australia B side in the international series and he should have little trouble winning his fullback spot back, especially since Drago Deankovic was given a

Man of the Match: TOMMY CUMMING (Melb. Croatia)

bath by Graham Heys in this

bath by Graham Heys in this game.
Campbell has recovered from a groin operation but has a harder fight on his hand, with the three midfielders currently in harness all performing well.
Creatia also expects to regain Keith Adams and Jeff Paulkner after injury in the next couple of weeks so competition for first-team spots is likely to be flerce.
Makedonia on the other hand lost Claude Lucchesi with an ankle injury in the first half and lan Dobson after the break with a pulled hamstring.

and Ian Dobson after the break with a pulled hamstring.
Both are doubtful for this week's encounter with Footscray JUST and the side also will be without George Campbell whose injury is not expected to clear for another fortnight.

Goalkeeper Wilson seeks club

Preston-Makedonia goalkeeper Richard Wil-son, 27, is seeking a trans-fer before the deadline on June 30.

June 30.

The New Zealand inter-national has made it clea-his future is in Australian

soccer.

He is available for a \$12,500 transfer fee — the same amount Makedonia paid Canberra for him in 1981. He had two years with Canberra and previously played in the Christchurch United team that won the New Zealand

AROUND THE WORLD

• In an exhibition game in Swaziland, Liverpool best Tottenham Hotspur 5-2.
• Simon Statirod and Clive Allen, both of Queen's Park Rangers, were late additions to the England touring squad for South America.
• Former Manchester United and England winger Steve Coppell, 28, became the English Footbail League's youngest manager when accepting the position at Crystal Palace. Assistant to Coppell at Selburst Park will be another player whose carreer was terminated prematurely by injury — ex Weish international central defender Ian Evans wede Sven Erricson, who wished hoth LEF Gothenburg, who

national central defender fan Evans.

Swede Sven Erricson, who guided both IFK Gothenburg sherfica to success in recent years, has taken over from com-paritor Nils Lidenlolm as coach of AS Roma. Liedholm left Rome for family reasons and is expected to take charge of his former club AC Millan.

Milan.

• FIFA has announced it received five entries from Oceania for the 1935 World Vouth Chempionship — Australia, New Zeeland, Tai-wan, Fiji and Papus New Guinoa. Israel, which is affiliated directly to FIFA, may join the five for qualifying games, though the world body has yet to decide where the Israelis will be placed.

Joe Lanzoni away but at the crucial moment over-ran the ball. A similar situation occured early in the second half but his time Tod saw the ball roll harmlessly over the byline. Had Newcastle put away either of those two chances the game could have taken a different turn but we will never know.

Reis, Phillips cut

up Newcastle

Canberra 4
Scorors: 20th Gibson (pon),
22nd Rois, 59th Parinovic,
90th Rois.
Venue: Adamstown Oval.
Cautions: Korby (N) Mihailidis (C)
Refereo: Robbie Davies 6.
An indiscreet reflex action 20 minutes into the first half by usually reliable Michael Boogaardt presented Canberra Arrows with a gift penalty and Ian Gibson dutifully put the visitors ahead from the spot kick.
That was the turning point of the game.
The stunned Newcastle defence was still in a daze two minutes later when they allowed the ball to bounce dangerously around the penalty area before Alan Reis prodded it home from close range.
From that moment on Newcastle was no match for the fast-moving, hard-tackling, well-organised Canberra side.

mainly responsible for the de-fender not playing up to his usual standard.

Even without being over-worked, he showed his class by

Newcastle did have some chances, Bernard Kerby miss-ing with a left foot shot four minutes after the start.



what we do know is that Canberra continued to domi-nate without being particular-ly dangerous until Andy Thompson, in an attempt to clear an innocent-looking ball, inadvertantly set up Ian Gibson but his left foot shot

the Match:

DRAGAN LACMANOVIC

(JUST)

managed to keep the score-sheet clean until the 64th minute when Vlatko Beltic finally found the back of the net with a powerful shot from 12 metres. This was a fine goal, the result of a great build-up by the JUST forwards. Joe carroll played a well-weighted through ball in front of Zdravko Lujic whose cross was beautifully played back by Lacmanovic for Beltic, who did the rest.

Lacmanovic for beine, who was the rest.

JUST lined up without the suspended Jimmy Tansey and the injured Jamie Paton, but even without this experienced pair, looked a much improved team. Green Gully on the

What had been the strength of the Newcastle side in recent matches, the defence, was unusually tentative an the tactics of lifting the bell into the air against the tall Canberra defence certainly had the expected effect.

Taking the field without speedster Frank Farina, Canberra still had plenty of speed and spirit up front, Hilton Phillips giving Boogaardt a torrid time. He was speed to be a speed to b

Canberra's tactics were simple. They closed down space quickly and tackled with determination. Newcastle on the other hand made a lot of errors and certainly could not match the visitors in enthusiasm.

Australia "B" keeper Tony Franken had a comparatively quiet afternoon, having only to deal with a nasty cross by Dino Milosevic which he tipped con-fidently over the bar.

easily dominating the penalty area when the high balls came his way.

But probably the chance of the match was muffed by Derek Todd when 10 minutes before half time he dashed

score more realistic when sub-stitute Marko Perinovic cha-rged into keeper Gosling who dropped the ball and the stri-ker tapped it into the net.

From the kick-off Canberra scored the best goal of the match when the bard working Gibson chased a long diagonal ball to the byline, cut it back for Alan Reis to crash home his second goal.

After that, mercifully for Newcastle, the final whistle. "Our defence was dread-ful," was coach Willie Gallag-her's comment after the game. "And our midfield was non-existent," he added just for good measure.

or good measure.

One can only sympathise with Gallagher. His job is to pick up the pieces, patch them together and face Canberra again next week, this time at Bruce Stadium.

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manager Ron Atkin-son just back from

Australia, sat with his

arm round the new woman in his life, as they talked of their

The flamboyant Manchester United chief spoke of his "mental anguish" when he



Ron Atkinson

Lover-boy Atkinson

norths.

His wife confronted him bout the secret relationship a ear ago, after a series of anomonous phone calls, he dis-

losed.
"Telling my wife I had deided to leave was the hardest
ecision I have ever had to
nake in my life. I don't ever
nticipate having to make a
arder one," Atkinson, 45,
nid.

He said of his wife: "I can't ay a bad word about her. That what makes it very much

vorse."
Mrs Harrison, a part-time ashion party hostess, said: 'It is obvious how I feel. I love

But it has been very diffi-

cult — very difficult."
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to journalists in an informal
"clear the air" press conference at a house in Hale,

Atkinson was told by Man-chester United chairman, Martin Edwards that the affair would not affect his position with the famous club.

with the famous club.
"I think it is a relief it has come out — If we are now allowed to get on with something that really involved only four people, my wife and deughter, Maggle and myself," Attdnson seld.

He had known Mrs Harrison for nearly two years, after they were introduced "quite innocently" at a social function, and then met accidentally another couple of times, he

Those who like central defenders to be tall, strong and ruthless enough to kick their grandmother if she were wearing the wrong colored playing strip, would have relished the appearances of Gordon McQueen on Austral-

ian soccer pitches recently, for here is a centre half in the classical mould.

It was "a complete fabric-ation and a complete joke" to suggest that Mrs Hrrison was always seen in his office at the club, after games, he insisted.

Sipping a vodka-and-lemon-ade, Atkinson went on: "She was obviously very distressed.

"We talked long and hard before I went to Australia re-cently, and had several tele-phone conversations during that trip."



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Although in the squad which travelled to West Germany, McQueen did not play in the Mundial. He also missed another possible milestone the next year. A reckless tackle earned him a red card in the European champions? Cup sent final with Barcelona and consequently suspension for the final against Bayern Munich. Further disappointments followed soon afterwards when a persisten Achilles tendon injury resulted in most of the 1875-78 camevice hairs we test.

Further disappointments followed soon afterwards when a persisten Achilles tendon injury resulted in most of the 195-76 campaign being missed.

Upon his return, McQueen found himself playing for a deteriorating Leeds team, which had lost its direction since Revie's elevation to England team manager.

Perhaps it was frustration at Leeds' decline which induced a punch-up between the tough Caledonian and teammate David Harvey during a losing FA Cup the with Manchester City.

Irrespective of the reason, it led to him being placed on the transfer list and moving to Manchester United. The fee, \$990,000, was then a record between English club.

A series of outstanding performances during the 1978 World Cup qualifying round enhanced McQueen's reputation further and Scottish team manager Ally MacLeed was obviously depending.

But, strained knee ligaments ruled the six footer out immediately before the finals. This was the first of many blows Scotland experienced during their Argentine venture.

Upon recovery, McQueen regained the Scotland number five jersey, only for a recurrence of the old Achilles tendon problem to result in him missing most of the 1980-81 and 1981-82 seasons.

His return to full fitness was a major factory in United lifting the 1983 FA Cup. This was a particularly special moment for McQueen, who had three times previously appeared for losing cup final teams.

As well as being one of the most solid back four players pro-

As well as being one of the most solid back four players pro-duced by Britain in recent times, he has also contributed much

duced by Britain in recent times, he has also contributed much when moving forward.

Capped 31 times, McQueen's long gallops upfield with the ball often throw defences into confusion and his height and strength have produced many goals, notably during the 1879 FA Cup Final and for Scotland against England in 1970.

Unfortunately, injuries have deprived McQueen of the opportunity to earn a place amongst the truly great central defenders.

The hard-training teetotaler, 32 this month, may stil be a prominent figure in English soccer for a year or two yet, however.



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ian soccer pitches recently, for here is a centre half in the classical mould. At 63° Ital and 13's stone, McQueen certainly has the build of a natural defensive kingpin — yet he started as a right winger! The Scottish international did not play any organised football at all until 17, as his school in Ayrshire eatered for neither soccer nor rugby, and he was limited to unorganised kickabouts until joining local amateur club Largs Thistle. The gangling figure of McQueen sprinting down Largs' right flank must have been quite a sight, but he was sufficiently skilled on the wing to attract the attention of St. Mircra, which persuaded the steelworks engineer to turn professional. At the Paisley club though, manager Wison Humphries immediately recognised where his talents would be best utilised and switched him to heart of defence. After less than two seasons with the Saints, McQueen was carnarked by Leeds United manager Don Revie as a replacement for the legendary Jack Charlton, upon the England World Cup here are the season of the season of the season with the saint, who was a replacement for the season sense was virtually non-existent, tended to hall-watch and lacked discipline. Obviously much work lay in front of him if he was to become a quality player. One thing that McQueen could not be accused of being deficient in was aggression. Some of the tackles he produced made even Leeds fans, hardened by the exploits of Norman Hunter, wince. Determination was another early trademark. Under the guldance of Charlton and Leeds coach Syd Owen, himself a former England centre half, he eagerly tolled to improve his game. McQueen had experienced only six English League games with United before playing in the 1873 European Cup Winners' Cup linal. Leeds lost that match 1-0 to AC Milan, but he proved himself the obvious successor to Charlton, who had become Middlesbrough's manager a few days earlier. The big Scot made 37 appearances during the next season for a United team which led the First Division from start to fini Bari still killing 'em, Toshack replaces Venglos

shock 2-0 win over Brazil in Rio was only its second in 13 encounters with the South Americans.

e Servette Geneva won the Swiss Cup, defeating Lucerne 1-0 in the Final.

• Sarie B side Bari, which boat Juventus in an earlier round, continued its glantifilling apploits by defeating Fiorentine 4-2 in the quarter final. The semi final draw pairs Bari with Verona.

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By PAUL MOON

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when defeating Servette Geneva in a play off 1-0 in Berns.

• Italian-born Anderlecht midfielder Vincenzo Scilo gained Beigian naturalisation just one week before the European Achampionship finals and was included in Belgium's aquad which travelled to France.

• Halifax Town, Chester City, Rochadle and Hartlepool all comfortably won re-election to the English Football League Aspirant Maidstone United made little impression in the poll.

• Despite having recently guided Morton into the Scottish Premier Division, manager Tommy MacLean has moved to relegated Motherwell. MacLean believes the Lanarkshire club offers the better long-term prospects.

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did little to indicate reasons for such a move.

• England's 1966 World Cup Hero Alan Ball has been confirmed as permanent manager of Portsmouth. He had been serving "Pompey" in a caretaker role since Bobby Campbell's dismissal.

• The third important European trophy to be decided by penalty kicks in less than a week went to Hungary, which beat hosts USSR in the UEFA Youth Tournament final, despite being held sooreless over Youth Tournament final, despite being held scoreless over 120 minutes. 72,000 saw the



Ken Drakeford while with SM-Hellas

Drakeford says he made error

Kenny Drakeford, who signed a one-season contrevith New Zealand National League club Nelson Unite arlier this year, aithough Green Gully Ajax, South Me ourne Hellas and Juventus had expressed interest im, is already regretting the move.

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"I made a mistake." Drakeford stated frankly when interviewed recently. "Even though United are far superior to the team I played for last year (relegated Dunedin Technical), the overall standard of the league disappoints me and the apathy Nelsonians display towards soccer is really disheartening." The diminuity emidfielder was lured to Nelson, a fourist resort and haven for retired people, by ex-Brisbane Lions and Newcastle KB United goalkeeper Phil Dando, who now coaches the South Island club.

"Should have some to Melbourne when given the constraint."

Island club.

"I should have gone to Melbourne when given the opportunity," he lamented. "I only hope that I haven't burned my pridges when my current contract expires at the end of this season."

Should Drakeford, currently the outstanding linkman in New Zealand, move across the Tasman, he will get a second taste of Australian football. The first was marred by a contract dispute and ended after just 12 games for South Melbourne Hellas in 1879.

Although admanat that the fault was not entirely his, he does concede: "I was young and silly then and didn't know what was best for me."

Quick trip to Sydney for a \$283 lunch

stead I was cast into a purgatory rport lounges, famine, rain and in-rial disputes as the world rolled on there, somewhere, ablivious to my

hotographer Les Sharrock and I nt to Sydney to cover the Australia aklis match.

le got to Sydney at 1.30 pm, found he Sydney Cricket Ground at 2 pm the game had been called off due air and managed to leave on the 4 return flight at 8 pm.

between we were held up by one any industrial disputes.

was the previous Saturday, on the to Sydney, that we spent two s waiting in the terminal and on lane before we could take off.

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op coach



LAURIE SCHWAB

Soccarons John Kosmina, David Mitchell and David Ratcliffe specule-ted while being pelted by rain that the game would be played at St. George Stadium the following day (Thursday).

But we weren't about to take that chance.

So it was back to Mascot for TAA's 4 pm (T465) flight back home.

Sorry, said the women at the desk. The Transport Workers' Union had a gripe in Melbourne and its Sydney inembers had gone out in sympathy.

We would be boarding at 4.15 pm a. 4.30 pm; no . . 5.15 pm; no 30 . er . 6; 6.05, 6.30, 6.40, 6.45.

At 7.30 we filed out only to get to the edge of a precipice facing the rain.

Mike Denton

of New Delhi and

grateful for the bar service back at the lounge.

And we could reflect on the intricate workings of an airline tearninal.

Like: Flight TA18 from Melbourne cancelled, returned to Melbourne.

Or Flight E185 from Hobart, scheduled 1.15 pm, due 5.05 pm.

And: Flight TA26 from Canberra, scheduled 5.30, due 7.05.

We also gained an insight in the oritine's security system from a bright-cycl young woman and a pretentious, all-knowing young man.

SHE: "What's the detector for? To detect metal? It can't be to detect metal? It detects only big pieces of metal. And it's designed to pick up sharp objects."

sharp objects."
SHE: "So it wouldn't pick up small ike a Japanese throwing star."
"Yes it would. It would show resuse it's sharp. So they'd check

out."
SHE "But it's not big."
HE: "Yes, but it picks up everything out 2cm square.
SHE: "So I could carry a very small or-knife or a small screwdriver."
HE: "But they're sharp. It picks up are things like that."

SHE. "Oh."
We were thinking about taking a
flight to Cowra, Tamworth or a place
called Yng Cmd on the manitor, and
catching a plane to Melbourne from
there. But then, we would have
nissed out on those pearls of wisdom.

Cosmos, Baltimore, Watford, Forest and now Penrith

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

What do Rotherham, Watford, Nottingham Forest, Baltimore, New York Cosmos, Philadelphia, New York Atlas, Twin Towns and Penrith have in common?

The answer is a midfielder called Peter Nix.

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This 26-year-old sales consultant for Nashua in Sydney mutant for Nashua in Sydney medical sales of the sales and sales of the sales and NSL hewcomer, having joined Penrith last December from Queensland club Twin Towns.

But illness and injury plagued Nix until April 29 when he made his debut in Penrith's 1-1 draw with Melita Eagles at Melita Stadium. Since then Penrith has lost just two matches — both to APIA — and surprised most observers by reaching the quarter-finals of the National Cup.

"The NSL's a very tough league. It's very aggressive. I'd become accustomed to a more technical game in the U.S. but I'll adjust," said Nix. "People were talking at the sales of the seal of the

gue. "There's a lot of belief and



determination among the lads and it's starting to show out on the park."

Nix comes from Rotherham in England. He represented his town and county at schoolboy and also trialled with the English schoolboys, before signing professional forms with Rotherham in 1976. Jimmy McGeoghan was coaching the Third Division side at the time.

"McGeoghan was very ween."

Third Division side at the time.

"McGeoghan was very, very hard His idea was that you got fit to play, rather than playing to get fit.

"Rotherham always was there or there abouts but lacked support."

Nix scored to gainst Gillingham of the player. He was a left winger them and spent four seasons with the club before major changes involving both administration and playing staff, saw him given a free transfer, and Watford snapped him up.

"Graham Taylor (The Watford manager) was very, very precise. He's the sort of guy who keeps all kinds of statistics on every facet of the game. His sessions always were very entertaining. He's a very inventive man."

But Nix's stint at Watfor fell just short of a full season. He didn't get a first team game and was one of a crop of players released by the club in 1890.

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players released by the club in 1890.

Nix played a handful of games in the Alliance League before being spotted by a Forest scout and he was on his way to the City Ground in Nottingham.

"Forest manager Brian Clough is one of the best. He also seemed to me to be quite a good coach, especially in terms of motivating players. And his ideas and the way he puts them over are great.

"He's very active in sessions and very imaginative. Some say that he's a really hard man but that didn't show out to me. Then again, Forest was riding on the crest of a wave at the time. Maybe he didn't have to be that hard."

Forest started off-loading players. It was at a time when million dollar transfer transactions secant more important to the Cult han personnel. Nix was released.

"As a kid I'd always wanted to go to the U.S. Actually, I'd been there a couple of times to visit my brother who was in college."

Baltimore, then in the North American Socret League, was

Baltimore, then in the North American Soccer League, was Mix's first club there. Teams we describe the second of t

Cosmos and was at Philadel-phia for a while until that club folded. He also played as a semi-professional with New

phia for a while until that club folded. He also played as a semi-professional with New York Atlas but visa problems forced his returned to England in the Christmas of 18-8.

The seminary of the seminary of the seminary of the seminary of the Americans can blend the best out of these styles shey'll have a hell of a national team."

Nix, back in England, gave soccer away for a while. Twin Towns had tried lure him to Queensland in 1982 but failed, however, when it renewed its interest last year, it was successful. Nix played with Twin Towns during the latter part of the seminary of the

Towns during use in the period of the standard wasn't too bad, I enjoyed myself with Twin Towns. It's a very sociable club.

"Actually, I didn't have too much time to think when I first arrived. I was off the plane on the playing the next. I played three games in five days!

played three games in five days!
"But Sydney's the best place to play, and I was able to get an internal transfer from Nashua in Brisbane, which was great."
Nix returns to England at the end of the year to marry his girlfriend, Karen. He's found it a lot easier than her to settle here.

found it a lot easier than her to settle here. "It's a lot easier for a bloke, especially playing soccer, be-cause he's got an instant circle of friends. "I'd like to see a lot more of Australia, not just through soccer, and I may even decide to settle down here."

By WALTER PLESS Australian interonal; Mike Denton, 39, ed to Burnie, in Tasmania, te 1972. His wife is Tasma-

and this was the reason for

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ton, who won four fullcaps for Australia s Greece, Iran, Mexico and Israel), and ented the country 15 times altogether, nat he still has friends on the mainland at they keep him in touch with soccer

there.
s coach of Northern State League club,
United — it is his second stint with the
but also takes a great deal of interst
or soccer. He is coach of the Northegional under 10 team which recently
ted against four other regions in Hotie is not doing too well in the league but a puts this down to youthful in-ence. I spoke to him after southern Hobart City-Azzur had defeated his 40 in the John Kalis Memorial Trophy-

tition.

an you first arrived in Tasmania,
but the league alight with your
Nowadays you only play when
telly negassary. Why didn't you
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a young side. We've got nine players
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te arrive.

is the team's poor league position

you?

but I'm more interested in junior and in trying to raise junior standards. qualified coach and I think that's where inian soccer has really got to look. If e going to import people from other, I think they should be qualified as and they've got to look at raising the rd of the juniors.

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got the English Prelim Badge. I'd like or the Australian senior badge but when got the English Prelim Badge. I'd like or the Australian senior badge but when married with three kids it's difficult to e time and money to go to the mainfand o the senior course. I've played under like Frank Arok and Rale Rasic and layed with people like Atti Abonyi and Warren and if you can't learn from like that, you're not going to learn at

at did you think when Frank Arok ne national team job?

t up and cheered. Arok is the best coach ver played under, easily the best. That s every inch a professional and he's a uy with it. He's a players' coach as far

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concerned.

nuld a full state league be inced next season?

The people of Hobart have to realise it are and we can't just concentrate on one

ST. GEORGE GETS \$20,000 BACKING

National league champion St George Budapest has brought off a remarkable coup by signsing new sponsors midway through a football season.

Club-president Alec Pongrass announced that national electrical retailers Lemair Australia had confirmed a \$20,000 sponsorship deal for the rest of this season with an

option to renew next year.

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"It is the biggest single sponsorship the club has so far obtained and we intend to see they get full value for their money."

money."

Lemair national sales manager Harry Marr said his company had seen operating in Australia for 30 years.

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Volar in, Dacevski out

reen and gold and also in the top four. Following its 3-2 win over Manly Warringah at Cromer, Auburn has once again asserted its ambition to challenge for a position at the top.

ambition to challenge
"I have nothing but praise
for my players," said Ljubo
Gojkovic, Auburn's coach, following the match at Crome.
Tony O'Shana, Auburn's burly
striker, helped himself to a
hat-trick with two goals
coming from the first hall
penalties.

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Six wins and five draws in the last 11 outings have pushed abuburn to within one point of the lead and despite all the club in the last few weeks it is now obvious that the players are firmly behind the club's leadership and coach.

For Manly and its coach richard Alagich, defeat was a bitter pill to swallow. "Some of my more illustrious players just did not perform," claimed Manly's coach. Well, while Auburn had its revenge on Manly, Sutherland came away from Monaro with a came away from Monaro with the complicate the issue at the top. For inter it has been an alghtmarish three weeks, after losing in succession to Manly and Rockdale and now losing a point to Sutherland and home. This week Inter is away to fast improving Ku-Ring-gai and anything is likely to happen.

pen.
Rockdale Ilinden drew with
Avala at Hurstville oval despite problems amongst the
spectators during the match.
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The game was delayed for almost 10 minutes with both sets of players waiting for the arrival of police reinforcements. In the end, Avala took a point and deprived linden of the lead in State League. Following its 3-1 loss to Polonia, Canterbury seems to Polonia, Canterbury seems to Polonia, Canterbury seems to Polonia, Canterbury seems to Have Grothe top four, while Kung-Gai still is making a steady progress with its fifth match in a row without loss. It is now evident that Yugal is favoured to take the wooden spoon after its 1-2 loss to Warringah. Seeve Dacestki has resigned as the coach of Yugal. Zvonko Volar has taken over in a caretaker capacity.

Sutherland Sharks will be in

shaw Park in soundy whering ah.

Auburn's success over Manly has dented Manly's hopes for a runaway title win and has presented Sutherland with the wind the hope of snatching the wind the hope of snatching the hope of snatching but a string of wins is going to suffice from here on in.

Rockdale Ilinden goes to Fraser Park to meet Yugal in what should be a walkover. The last time they met the scoreline was a narrow 1-9 win to Ilinden but this time Yugal could be in for a hammering!

Bankstown beat Polonia by four goals in their third round encounter. However, I would give Polonia the edge in this match. Its backline is strong, its midfield creative and its forwards fast.

Inter Monaro whitewashed Ku-Ring-Gai at Queenbeyan earlier this year by 6-2. However, Ku-Ring-Gai at Queenbeyan earlier this year by 6-2. However, Ku-Ring-Gai at 2-0 in that match! Should Ku-Ring-Gai manage to score two goals at Parklands Oval on Saturday Ifail to see how Inter could get out of trouble. Its form away from Queanbeyan has been poor.

But let's look at the drama

poor.

But let's look at the drama and action of last weekend's round of games:

Manly Warringah 2 Auburn Uruguay 3 SCORERS: O'Shane 8th (pen), 10th (pen), 75th, Stuart 20th, Leak

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Goth.

Tony O''Shana scored
three goals at Cromer
Park to upset the League
ladder, Manly Warringah,
and give Auburn yet another go at the top four.

His first two goals came
from spot kicks with Bruce
Doyle and John Dick, Manly's
central defenders, the offenders on these occasions.
Following a tussle for the
ball between O'Shana and Dick
in the 8th minute, it appeared
that the ball struck Dick on the
arm and a very loud appeal by
the referee. O'Shana struck his

shot well and despite a good guess by the keeper it was 1-0 to Auburn.

After 20 minutes it was all square. A Roy Jones chip found Robibe Stuart and a header by Stuart was sufficient to see Rosano beaten.

With five minutes remaining, Knight raced into the penalty area only to be brought down by Doyle and yet another penalty to Auburn provided O'Shana with a perfect opportunity to score. His well-placed shot put Auburn one up at half time.

In the 90th minute Manly came back through Steve Leak after what appeared to be an error by Rosano. Chris Cassettari replied with the same gesture at the other

the lead early. Thurlow made a great save at one end, then the action swung to Rockdale's half of the field. A free kick, some 35 metres from goal was given to Avala.

Nikola Duvnjak took the shot. His power-laden drive took everyone by surprise, even Kotzohambos, who stood as if struck by lightning as the shot by Duvnjak hit the back of the net.

Ilinden came back through Terry Jones in the closing stages of the first half. A shot by Jones deflected off an Avala player and into the net to have the two sides locked at 1-1 at half time.

Soon after the restart, Ka-



NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

end providing O'Shana with a chance which gave Auburn its third and winning goal.

"Dubious penalties and an error by the keeper cost us the match," said a disappointed Manly official after the match." It wasn't for an error by Rosano Manly wouldn't have had a look-in during the second half. It was all Auburn, "said the official. Richard Alagich felt that some of his players just did not

Richard Alagich felt that some of his players just did not perform, while Ljubo Gojkovic was jubilant about his players effort. For Alagich, this will certainly be a long week. Will he face Sutherland using McBreen and Stevens together again? It is doubtful, following the pair's showing at Cromer Park.

the pair's showing at Cromer Park.

As for Goykovic, it is a fair reward for some hard work that he has put into this team. It is also important to not that the players of Auburn deserve a lot of a praise for their ef-fort. After their salaries were practically halved they came out to topple the leader!

Rockdale Ilinden 2

Scorers: Duvnjak 6th, Jones 44th, Karanfilovski 50th, Budini 75th.

An action-packed game at Hurstvile with Avala always the equal of the much-fancied Rockdale. In fact, it was Avala that took

ranfilovski shot his side into the lead, but Avala came back through Ricky Budini who scored the equaliser with 15 minutes to go.

Bankstown National 1 Ku-Ring-Gai 1

Scores; Williamson 39th, Blackburn 60th.

Neil Williamson scored his second goal in as many matches for Ku-Ring-Gai to give his side a well-carned draw in a tough encounter at Potts Park. It was Brian Dene who provided the spade work with his cross, with Williamson being the quickest in the ensuing melee to put the ball beyond the reach of Lohman.

It was during the first period that Ku-Ring-Gai looked strong and with its one-goal advantage looked set to take the points. Bankstown National did change its tactics during the second period, employing long, probing balls to unsettle Kuringai's defence. And it worked!

From one of those attacks, Steve Blackburn hit the post in the 55th. Some five minutes later, Prentice was not so lucky. A quick free kick by Genc to Blackburn and on this occasion his shot was a bit more accurate, finding the net just inside the post.

; Petas (CM), Li , Kowalczyk (P).

Scores; Petas (CMI, Lumsdam, Galas pan, Awalczyk (P).

Craig Hall missed a penalty and Ante Galas scored from the penalty spot at crucial stages of this match. After Scott Lumsdaine put Polonia ahead early in the first half, the visitors looked set to "sit" on their lead.
Canterbury received its penalty and Craig Hall missed. Canterbury retrieved its penalty and Craig Hall missed. Soon after it was Ante Galas who scored from a penalty to John Petas gave the home side some semblance of a chance but Henjek Kowalczyk put the issue beyond doubt with a great goal close to full time.

Vunal 1

Warringah Narabeen 2

This battle of the "cellar dwellers" at Fraser Park was decided in the dying seconds with Billy Bullock putting one past Berry to sink Yugal for the second time this season.

After a scoreless first half, Yugal drew first blood in the 55th when Chris Thamnides took a short free kick for Stan Tanovski to rifle his first timer well out of the reach of Peter Dean.

Peter Dean.

With 15 minutes to go, Warringah applied pressure looking for an equaliser and with Yugal back pedalling a goal was inevitable. Warringah's latest acquisition, ex-Manly midfielder David Jack, put his side on even terms when he picked up a loose ball just outside the area to slam it wide of Berry.

For Yugal, the final curtain came none too soon for had the game gone on a little longer it could have been worse. Its players failed to come to terms when put under pressure and its forwards waste opportunities when it mattered most. Morsello and jest had only the keeper to beat but failed to find the net and as a result Warringah squeezed one home at the other end.

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THIS WEEK

Sturday: Parklands Oval: KU-RING-GAI v. INTER MONARO.
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TOP SCORERS

10 — Ross Brown (RI)
9 — Valeri (IM), Holloway (MW), O'Shana (Aub).
8 — N Milne (Av)
7 — Leak (MW)
6 — Monterosso, Willox (IM), Jeffery (K), Groome (S)
5 — Stuart (MW), Sobczyk (P), Jones (RI), McGrath (Y)
4 — Budini (Av), Dounis (C), Giampaolo, Colbertaldo (IM), Bullock, Sandtner (WN)

MANLY WARRINGAH 2 (Stuart 20th, Leak 60th) AUBURN URUGUAY 3 (O'Shana pea 8th, pea 40th, 75th) at Cromer Park.

MANLY WARRINGAH: Gassattari 6. — Pagano 7, Doyle 7, Dick
7, Williamson 5 (46th O'Rourke 5), Jones 7, Stevens 5, McBreen 5,
— Stuart 7, Hollowey 7, Leak 6.

AUBURN URUGUAY: Rosano 6. — Kelly 8, Planinic 7, Watt 7,
Geekie 7, — Parfitt 6, Carney 7, Akoutas 8, Knight 8 (McDermid 85th) — O'Shana 8, Banales 7 (Trownsend 80th).

AVALA 2 (Duvnjak 6th, Budini 75th) ROCKDALE ILINDEN 2 (Jones 44th, Karanfilovski 50th) at Hurstville Oval.

ROCKDALE ILINDEN: Kotzohambos 7. — Grasevski 6, D. Wilson 7, Degney 7, J. Wilson 6. — Pilovski 6, Nastevski 6, Slaveski 6, — Brown 6, (Youseph 70th), Jones 7, Karanfilovski 7.

AVALA: Thurfow 8. — Lucchessi 6, Budini 8, Mackenzie 7, Da Silva 6, — Duvnjak 8 (Antonic 70th), Williams 7, Kodor 7, — Bratkovic 5 (Collins 46th), Bateman 6, Milne.

BANKSTOWN 1 (Blackburn 60th) KU-RING-GAI 1
(Williamson 39th) at Potts Park.
BANKSTOWN: Lohman 6, Kennedy 7, Blackburn 7, Cootes 7,
Agostine 6, — Dolton 5, Parker 5, [72nd Skrett), Genc 6 — Pavela 7,
Asanic 8, Apenian 8,
KU-RING-GAI: Prentice 8, — Bennett 7, Dene 6, Bartram 6,
Josse 7 — Quigley 6, Bourke 7, Harper 6, Tracey 6, — Jeffery 6, N.
Williamson 7.

CANTERBURY 1 (Petas) POLONIA 3 (Lumsdaine, Galas pen, Kowalczyk) at Arlington Oval.

CANTERBURY: Philippou 6, — Ethiniades 6, Laws 6 (Karyspiros Oth), Tidlas 6 (Hantzis Goth), Andreou 7, Fternatis 6, Anagnostopoulos 6, Antonopoulos 6, — Hall 7, Petas 6, Dounis 6.

POLONIA: Barker 7, — Pratt 7, Galas 7, Fogarty 7, Jordan 7, —
Lumsdaine 8, Juchniewicz 8, Nowak 8, — Kowalczyk 7, Sobczyk 7, Divani 7, —

Lumsdaine 8, Juchniewicz 8, Nowak 8, — Kowalczyk 7, Sobczyk 7, Divani 7,

YUGAL 1 (Tanovski 65th), WARRINGAH NARABEEN 2 (Jack 80th, Bullock 95th) at Fraser Park.

YUGAL: Berry 8, — Micovski 5 (Jesic 46th — 6), Forester 7,

Goglic 6, Coldarevic 6, — Paber 7, Marco 6, Zivkovic 6, — Rodas 6,

(Morsello 80th), Thamnides 6, Tanovski 7,

WARRINGAH NARABEEN: Dean P. 7, Sorge 7, Rylanda 7, Garrett 8, Earl 7, — Griffin 6, Jack 7, Collinge 6, — Bullock 6, McLean 7, Dean 7.

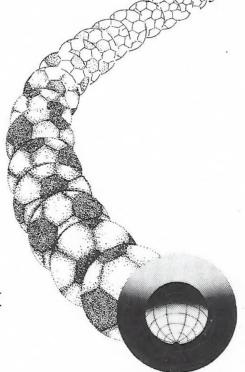
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POLONIA.

still is young Never mind, Les, the season

Les Shorrock's tear-stained, Tartan bonnet hung limp and alone on a hook in our offices last Monday morning, deserted by its owner seeking refuge from the sound of Box Hill celebrations ringing incessantly in his ears.

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A once masterly tipster almost had reached the end of the road. But those who live by the sword

He still was able to raise a fleeting smile when he realised that there were 13 rounds of the 1984 State League championship remaining. But Shorrock's be-loved but bedraggled Fawkner

Buffalo State League ladder

urday.

ST ALBANS DINAMO: Lacok 7 — Kuzman 8, Bozic 7, Radman 6, Nobilo 8 — Dozic 6, Brkljacic 8, Culina 9 — Batinovic 7, Morovic 8, Bruno 7, Coach: Pero Kasalo.

DOVETON: Radov 7 — Watson 6, Lowe 8, Laletas 6, Fitzpatrick 6 — Gadsby 6, Sutherland 6, M. McDonald 6 (G. McLeod 52nd, 6).

Kaiser 6 — Edmondson 6, J. McDonald 6 (Striton 52nd, 7). Coach: Ian Williamson.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Culina (StA), 2. kklacic (StA), 1. Lowe (Count)

Brkjacic (SLA), 1. Lowe (Dove).

MORWELL FALCONS 1 (Moore penalty 70th)
ALBION ROVERS 1 (Robertson 47th) at North Crinigan

Reserve, Saturdey.

MORWELL FALCONS: Whiteside 6 — Bingham 6, Bruns 6, Clarke
, Trein 5 (sent off 50th) — O'Callaghan 6, Moore 6, MacLean 8,
Cassar 7 — Athersych 5, Webster 5 (inj. Kent 68th). Coach: Jimmy

ALBION ROVERS: Bryden 6 (inj. Cipri 40th, 8) — Gatt 7, D'Sylva 7, Imour 8, Douglas 8 — Bennett 6 (McMorrow 85th). Reilly 7. Purcell

, Petrov 75th) at Egan Lee Reserve, Saturday. OX CITY: McTurk 5 — Dixon 6, Bissinger 7, Bryden 7, Murray 7 ild 6, Smith 6, Gerrish 6 — Kojic 7, House 7, Masters 7. Coach:

ACBURN DOUGLAS B — Bennett B (McMorrow Stri), nemy / , 1 - Spiref 7. Souras B. Robertson 7. Coach: Billy McIntyre Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award 3. Gilmour (AR), 2. MacLean (MF), 1. Cipri (AR).

Eric Lesbirel. POLONIA: Fryszer 7. — Lipiarski 7, Mila 7, McCluskey 7, Smolarek 7. — Gibson 6 (Tront 83rd), Avian 7, Innes 6, Gardiner 7. — Mitten 7.

— Gibson 6 (170nt 0510), 3-14-14 trov 7. Coach: John Gardiner: Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Mitten (Pol), 2. lurray (Knox), 1. Lipiarski (Pol).

Murray (Knox.) 1. Lipiaraski (Pol.).

WESTERN SUBURBS 1 (Filippis 43rd) FRANKSTON

PINES 1 (Borg. o.g. 13th) at Ralph Reserve, Sunday,

WESTERN SUBURBS: Hunter 6 – Humil 6 (Espasin 64th, Dimovski 6, Howe 7, Borg 7 – Cayle 7, Kakantonia 8, Mussai 6

Filippis 7, Sterson 8, Brognos 1, Sterson 1, Humiro Condilis

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(Pines), S. Kakantonis (WS), 1. Stenson (WS).

NORTHCOTE 2 (Boerotto 54th, Constantinou 66th)
CROYDON 0 John Cain Reserve, Sunday.
NORTHCOTE: Glanopoulos 7 - Wilson 7, Bozikis 8, Ketsakidis 6, Mihos 7 - Wright 6, Guigles 8, Toro 6 (Patiniotis 80th) - Micevski 7, Boarotto 7 (Dionisopoulos 75th), Constantinou 7. Coach: Jimmy Pyrgolios.

Pyrgollos.

CROYDON: Kestner 7 — Rainey 7, Kerr 7, Brewerton 6, Brown 6.

— Singleton 5, French 7, Irvine 6 — Griffiths 6 (inj.) Ormond 78th), A. Uringstone 5 (inj.) Sais 65th), Loughanes 5 Coach: Colin Hasler.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. Bazikis (North), 2 Ouigley (North), 1 French (Croy).

Guigley (North). T. French (Croy).

FAWKKER TO BOX HILL 2 (Hughes 13th, Smith 58th).

15 mith Reserve, Sunday.

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Verechis 8, Smith 7. Coach: Bill Murray.

Best three for Schipano Player of the Year award: 3. I. Roodhouse (Box Hill), 2. Browlie (Box Hill), 1. McKinlay (Box Hill).

W D L F A

was reeling, like an ageing prize fighter hanging on in hope. Maybe Fawkner has taken on one fight too many. Maybe not. Time will

Box Hill now is a firmly established, well credentialled title contender. Its last loss was in the opening round of the season. The victor that day was Western Suburbs, the team Box Hill squares up to at Rajbh Reserve this Sunday Fawkner didn't have an answer last weekend to the way Box Hill players closed down opponents all rever the park. I don't think

players closed down opponents all over the park. I don't think Western Suburbs will have an an-

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

ill win the league. That

Fawking Morwell fine.

The Latrobe Valley outfit is sitting, quietly confident, just one point behind the top trio.

Indeed, had Morwell not dropped a point at home to Albion last weekend, we would have had a four-way tie at the top.

a four-way tie at the top.

Morwell won't slip up again
this Saturday when it plays
Broadmeadows at home. However, Broadmeadows are undefeated under new coach Jim
McIntyre. A draw and a win in the

Jim Train won't be in the Mor-well line-up. He was sent off against Albion, his second send-ing off this season. And Stan Webster has a knee injury.

on cue to lob over an advan-cing Lou Kastner. Graham French, bursting forward from his new midfield role, let fly from 20 metres and watched in disbelief as his shot hit the underside of the bar and dropped kindly for Gianopou-los

Croydon woeful

By JOHN WALLACE ne, from close in, thump over after Mark Brown had done the spade work. Then Quigley broke down the wing but his long, raking drive was missed to the control of the contro

Northcote 2 Croydon 0

Scorers: Boarotto 54th, onstantinou 66th. Venue: John Cain Rasarve

A spirited, second-half display by Northcote City left Croydon in a sorry and dismal state. Northcote, with enthusiastic players like George Mihos, Colin Quigley and Peter Constantinou proved a far better combination than Croydon's ragged bunch. In fact, Northcote won because it wanted to, and too many Croydon players just went through the motions. Really, this Croydon outlit has hit an all-time low, a great pity for coach Colin Hasler who came to John Cain Reserve anticipating a win with a new line-up that saw Alan Kerr stopper, Graham French in midfield and Dave Griffiths as central striker.

This blueprint for success worked well for the first 45.

Good attacking chances from both sides saw Steve Irvi-

Nick Lowe, signed on a free last week from Sunshine-George Cross, made his debut for Doveton against St Albans Dinamo last Saturday.

Lowe, who played well, was on the losing side and things don't look any bighter for him this Sunday as Doveton faces Fawker at Smith Reserve. The Doves now prop up the table. Frankly, I don't hold out much hope for the chances of avoiding the drop, even though the latest on the lan even though the latest on the lan Stirton situation is that his expected move to Heidelberg Alex ander looks like falling through.

Polonia should defeat St Albans Dinamo at Churchill Re-serve on Saturday. Polonia coach John Gardiner quite rightly has decided that he still has plenty to offer and is playing again.

I've never had any doubts about Gardiner's ability to play in

about Gardiner's ability to play in State League this year. There are three good draw bets this weekend. They are Wilhel-mina and Pines at Jubilee Park, Croydon and Albion at Croydon, and Northcote and Knox at John Cain Reserve, all on Sunday.

SATURDAY MORWELL FALCONS v. roadmeadows at North Crinigan

MORWELL FALCONS v. Broadmeadows at North Crinigan Reserve, 3 pm. St Albans Dinamo v. POLONIA at Churchill Reserve, 3 pm. SUNDAY Croydon v. Albion Rovers (draw) at Croydon Park, 3 pm. Wastern Suburbs v. BOX HILL at Ralph Reserve, 3 pm. Ringwood Wilhelminin v. Frankston Pines (draw) at Jubilee Park, 3 pm.

pm. FAWKNER v Doveton at Smith

FAWKNER v Doveton at Smith Reserve, 3 pm. Northcote v. Knox City (draw) at John Cain Reserve, 3 pm.

BOX

Fawkner 0 Box Hill 2

Scorers: Hughes 13th,

ostn. 18: Smith Reserve

Vanue: Smith Roserve
This was one of the most competent, exciting and memorable displays of the season. Box Hill played Fawkner off the park.
Fawkner fans were struck their first bitter blow after just 13 minutes when big Donald Brownile crossed from the right. Steve Smith's cushion header set up Andy Hughes whose intelligent, first-time lob beat Rob Terzini all ends up.

all ends up.

It was a disconsolate Terzini who had to limp off a few minutes later, finally giving in to a nagging ankle injury, and bringing young Tony Costa into the fray.

Box Hill closed down and pressured Fawkner all over the park.

park. Fawkner spent the first Fawkner spent the first half concentrating exclusively on trying to get high balls over to lan Tuffield but Brownlie always was at the Fawkner ace's back and although Tuffield won a few headers, be never was able to direct them well enough. Surely, there's no team in State League that breaks forward as quickly as Box Hill. Some of the off-the-beal runs by Box Hill part of the state of t

plenty of practice with Wilhelmina over the past few seasons.

Imagine me having the
cheek to think that John
McKinlay can be a bit dodgy in
the air? Good God, I'm getting
to be as bad a judge as Les
Shorrock!

Shorrock!

Shorrock scare thrown into
the Box Hill camp in the first
half came in the 37th minute
when Reno Lia cut the ball
back from the right. Brownies
slipped as he tried to clear, letting Tuffield in but Tuffield's
shot thumped against the near
post and bounced clear.

A dreadful mix-up between
Fab Angele and Costa led to
Box Hill's second goal in the
58th minute. Frank Maeleod
was back pedaling as he tried
to head clear but he only succeded in back heading the
batt to Steve Smith and

Angele. Costa charged out of goal and clashed with Angele as he tried to punch clear and Smith was left with a simple tap-in to the unguarded net.

By now it was obvious that the tactic of knocking high balls into Tuffield wasn't working but the ony Fawkner midfielder capable of playing to feet and supporting the man in possession was Peter Boyle.

to feet and supporting the main possession was Peter Boyle. But there is no stopping Box Hill now. Peter Verechia cracked a scorching first timer against the inside of the far post from 20 metres in the 80th minute and four minutes later was put through by a superb ball from Ian Roodhouse, clearly one of the finest full backs in Victoria. Versechia vancing Cossen and Paracella Costanting to stip the paracella for the peter state of the ball rolling into goal. Bruno Cozzella almost publication of the Box of the B

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MCTURK'S MISDEMEANOR

Knox City 1 Polonia 2

Scorers: Smolarek 41st, trov 75th (Pol); Masters Petrov 75tn 77th (KC) Venue: Egan Lee Reserve.

Knox City is an honest team. Polonia's a pretty good team, even though it looked a bit cumbersome in midfield here. Knox and a strong wind

METROPOLITAN

INVISION ONE
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SPRINGVALE CITY vs Dencaster Revers; Nunawarding City vs THOMASTOWN, SUNBURY vs Werribe.
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DIVISION TWO
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CAULFIELD CITY: NORTH GEELONG vs
Eltham; SANDRINGHAM vs Coburg;
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vs. Bulleun; GEELONG vs. Cario; PORT

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pinned Polonia in for periods in the first half, but Knox's scring chances merely re-volved around long shots whereas Polonia blew too whereas Polonia blew too really good chances, one created after a tremendous run by Ricky Lipiarski down the right and the other when Dave Gibson robbed Knox keeper Stuart McTurk but only could shoot into the side netting.

McTurk, though was to suffer a far worse scare late in

DIVISION TWO
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UNITED vs Varmont.

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DIVISION THREE
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Rest: MELBOURNE UNITED vs Ringwood Revers; COLLINGWOOD vs East
Richmond; BRINTONS vs Lalor City.

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the first half. And a much more embarrassing one.

With four minutes left to the break and Knox defenders charging out trying to spring the offside ploy, Mirek Smolarek let fly from 30 metres and sent the ball sailing over McTurk's head and into goal to give Polonia the lead

With Janusz Przybyła out in-jured, Noel Mitten was part-nered up front by young George Petrov and it was Po-lonia which created the better second half chances although Knox's goal in his period was a gem

a gem.

One run from Mitten, in the 64th minute, should have resulted in a goal. He burst through the Knox defence but shot straight at McTurk who had come off his line and spread himself well. Six minutes later, Claude Avian headed straight at McTurk after a Mitten cross from the right.

Polonia went further ahead in the 75th minute. Gardiner took a short free kiek to Stefan Mila, who beat one defender then hammered in a fierce, tow drive. McTurk got down well but only could parry the ball out and Petrov, following in, struck the rebound home.

Two minutes later, Knox hit Two minutes later, knox hit back. Greg House sent over a cross from the right. Milan Kojic headed down for Terry Masters, whose first time volley caught Mike Fryszer too far off his line and it was

Knox's goal gave the home fans some hope but really, Polonia did it fairly comfortably in the end.

Knox knows its limitations. The Knox players are honor The Knows its limitations. The Knox players are honest competitors and they'll probably ensure that the club establishes itself in State League this year.

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George Itsou wins it

ELTHAM 2 (Briggs 12th, Itsou 83rd) SAND-RINGHAM 1 (Greenwood 41st) at North Eltham, Saturday.

(Poci H.1. 5), Donnelly 7, Coyne 5.

The Redbacks maintained their fine record against top sides when they downed third-placed Sandringham in windy conditions and on a bumpy surface at North Eitham. It was a pretty physical clash in such conditions and few chances were created in the early stages.

the early stages.

But the first good move of the game led to Eltham's ning goal. Petar Cirka won ball on the left, drew three defenders, then crossed to Chris Briggs who seemed to take an age to control the ball before toe poking it into the

soal.

Sandy equalised in the 41st minute when Brian Greenwood hammered in a free kick from 30 metres.

The visitors started the second half in great style but although putting Etham under the hammer for 20 minutes, were unable to create clear openings.

Saturday.

ELTHAM: Carey 7, Hughes 6, M.
Cirke 7, Schipano 7, Dalany 6,
Woodward 5 (Curcija 70th), P.
Cirke 5, Eaniscas 6, Itaou 7, Briggs
8, Norton 6 (Vandersellik 70th),
SANDRINGHAM: Kørze 5,
Ogden 7, Finnegan 5, Plumb 6,
Stuart 5, Mackay 5, (Buick 80th),
Gresnwood 5, Dillon 6, Jacobi 5
(Pocil H.T. 5), Donnelly 7, Coyne 5.

Briggs was a headache to the visitors and a few minutes later, got the ball across the face of goal to George Itsou who slipped before he could connect in front of an open

Clayton wins basement battle

CLAYTON 2 (Brankovic 61st, Konstantinidis 75cm, MONASH UNIVERSITY 0 at Carlson Reserve, Satur-

CLAYTON: K. Marsh, S. Crack-nell, R. Ryan, S. Speno, M. Mertino, D. Cole, N. Broyham, C. Reid, S. Minton, K. Konstantinidis, Z. Brankovic.

MONASH UNI: G. Timma, T. murthweite, M. MacPherson, A. ersee, D. Clark (sub C.E.Ng 61st, ub P. Hawkins 76th), P. Mills, C. fullett, M. Watson, B. Siever, A. fcLean, S. Van der Westhuizen.

Provisional Division One

club Clayton gained two valu-able points in a crucial bottom-of-the-table struggle with near

neighbour Monash University, amid blustery conditions.
The university side had first use of the strong breeze, but encountered stiff resistance from the home side. Brad Siever found the net for Monash after 30 minutes, but was ruled offside.
Clavton seined the vital

was ruled offside.
Clayton gained the vital breakthrough in the 65th minute when a right wing cross found the unmarked Brankovic, who easily converted. The visitors tried desperately to force themselves into the game, but despite the presence of Welsh import Mujett, fell further behind with 15 minutes left, as Konstantidis, edged the hall past nidis edged the ball past Timms from close range.

Shepp \$10,000 in debt

Shepparton City, which withdrew from the Provisional League First Division recently, started the 1984 season with debts in excess of \$10,000.

of \$10,000.

Lack of support crippled the club on and off the field. In Shepparton City's last fixture five players had to play in both the senior and reserve games. The club was leath to discuss the reasons behind its large debt but one official simply said: "We feel we've been let down by the locals."

Shepparton City's players all were amateurs and the club felt that there was no way it could retrieve financial viability.

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Leading votegetters: 18 — Smith (Box Hill) 17 — MacLean (Morw

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— Bingham (Morw), Mila (Pol)
— Quigley (North), Burton (Wilhel)
— Tuffield (Fawk), House (Knox), Mitten (Pol), Lazoy — Tuffield (Fawk), House (Knox), Mitten (Pol), Lazo-poulos (WS), 8 — White (Box Hill), Boyle (Fawk), Moore (Morw), Przy-byla (Pol)

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as central striker.
This blueprint for success worked well for the first 45 minutes, then Northcote steamfolled Croydon.
Early on, Mike Rainey's free kick met French's brow and Johny Gianopoulos did well to save.
Good attacking chances

dropped kindly for Gianopoulos

The tone of the contest habeen set however, and in the 66th minute Peter Constantinou tied the game up for Northcote, slipping past anapless Kastner after Kerr had failed to control a soft pass by Micevski. Then Kerr, settling in well to his new role as stopper, made up for his earlier mistake by clearing off the line when Con Dionisopoulos rounded Kastner.

Croydon did try a rally of sorts but Northcote was rampant and in no moud to let this game slip, pocketing the points with a fine two goal victory.

openings.

The goal that decided the issue came in the 83rd minute. Itsou found himself unmarked and he latched onto a Briggs cross to net from inside the six yard box.

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Hat-trick heroes

ATTENTION: CLUBS APPLYING FOR HAT-TRICK CERTIFICATES MUST FORWARD A STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE AT LEAST 31cm x 21cm. WE REGRET THAT THE CERTIFICATES OTHERWISE CANNOT BE SENT OUT.

"Soccer Action" offers a free hat-trick diploma to any junior who scores three games in a league, Cup, representative or school match.

school match.

However, certificates can be sent out only if clubs forward a stamped, self-addressed envelope at least 31cm x 21cm.

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Clubs are asked to put together a list of all their boys who score hat-tricks, so the certificates can be sent in the one envelope to save time.
We need the following information:

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1. Name of the boy, and his age.

2. The team for which he

2. The team for which he plays.
3. The team against which he scored the goals.
4. The date of the game.
"Hat-trick herees!" will have their sames published in "Soccer Action" every week.
Applications should be sent to:
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Soccer Action, 603 Little Lonsdale St... Melbourne. This week's hat-trick heroes:

Frank Musolino, five goals, Angelo Beninati, Vince Musolino, five goals, Robert Vzelac (Thomastown); Mauro Sasso, Richard Brown, seven goals, Corey Fahnle, Neil Barnetson (Ferntree Gully); Guy M. Brown, 12, five goals, Rafael Merino, 12, four goals (Sale City); Eamonn Curran, 9 (Doveton); Andrew Borg, 7, four goals (Green Gully); Brad Oxley, four goals, Pauli Barnett, Lloyd Lazaro, four goals (Lilydale Baptist Eagles); Jed Shearn, 7, Andrew Docherty, 8, Jamie Ferguson, 7, Craig Williams, 87, David Splatt, 7, (Karingal United); Orce Trajecvski, four goals Splatt, 7. (Karingal United);
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Dimitrios Adamou (right) congratulates Dusan Mitesevic (centre) who just has scored for Iraklis against Australia A in Adelaide. At left is Lakis Papaieuannou, Iraklis won 3-1.

Curran coach of schools team

Bill Curan (pictured) has been appointed coach of the com-bined Victorian high schools and technical schools team to compete in the national championships in Tasmania starting on September 3.

September 3.

Curran is on the look-out for players for his Victorian side, preferably lads already playing in the National Youth League or State League, who are under 20 and attend a high school or techinical school. Curran will hold his first trial at Middle Park on Monday, July 9, from 1.30pm to 4pm. All players who attend either a high school or technical school are invitted to attend. For further information you can phone Curran at home on 500 752°.

A second trial will be netd at Midlle Park on Monday, July 16, again kicking off at 1 30pm



Six teams are taking part in his year's national titles. Vicoria will be joined by Queens-and, NSW, the A.C.T., Wes-ern Australia and host state fasmania in what should be a very sucessful carnival.

Brazil wins

Brazil beat Uruguay 1-0 (0-0) at Curitiba in a friendly match to com-memmorate the 70th anni-versary of the founding of the Brazilian Football Fed-

Scorer: Arzurzhinho (65th minute). Attendance: 35,000.

Preston in the wars

Ex-NEWCASTLE KB United and Wollongong City goalkeeper Jim Pre-ston experienced mixed fortunes during his stint with Zindabad in Hong Kong.

In his first game, he played superbly to help Zindabad beat South China 3-0, but in the second was involved in a brawl

This resulted in an eight-week suspension. As the season in the Crown Colony had then just eight weeks to run. Preston's first campaign there was a brief one! — PAUL MOON

Team of the week

In brackets: No. of appearances in team of the week:

PEZZANO (2)

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TZINTZIS (1) (Heidelberg) KOSMINA (5) (SC-Hakeah) CAIRNEY (1) (Brish, Lions)

COACH AVAILABLE

Ilie Datcu, a Romanian living in Turkey, wants to coach an Australian club.

coach an Australian club.
Datcu 45, played for Romanian side Dinamo Bucharest for
inle years and made 40 appearances in the national team. The
lest seven years of his playing
career were spent with Turkish
club Fenerbahce
Datcu's coaching career so far
has been very successful.
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Datcu has full documentation of his credentials and can be contacted either in Turkey or through an Australian friend, Mr Zadil.

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Datcu's address is Camli Sok.

Dostler Apt. 7/11, Kadikoy-Sugdiye. Istanbul, Turkey. Mr Vadil,
can be contacted at home one
(03) 534 2770 or clubs can write
to him at Flat 7,142 Canterbury
Road, Middle Park, 3206, Victoria.

WORLD SERIES SCOREBOARD

Australia B 0 Glasgew Rangors 0 at MCG.

Nottingham Forest 4 (Davenport, Birtles, Bowyer, Swein) Western Aust-ralis 1 (Normanton) at Lake Manger Ve-lodrome, Perth.

Australia A 1 (Murphy) Netting-am Forest 1 (Anderson) at Hindmarsh

Australia A 3 (O'Connor, Kesmina, Mitchell) Glosgow Rangers 2 (McColst 2 incl. pen.) et SCG.

Juventus 0 Manchester United 8, aventus won 5-4 on penalties at SCG.

Glasgow Rangers 4 (Burns 2, McCoist, Caoper) Australia B 2 (Blair, Brawn pen.) at Macquarie Field, Now-castle.

Nottingham Forest 2 (Hodge pen, Bow-yar) at Lang Park, Brisbane. Australia A 1 (Ratcliffs) Juventus
 (Kostling) at MCG.

Iraklis 4 (Papadapoulos, Zifkas, Adamou, Papaiouemou) Barwin XI 0 at Showground Oval, Darwin.

Australia B D Nottingham Forest D
st SCG.

Australia A 2 (Cost, Yankos pan.)
Jeventus 4 (Boniak 3, Ressi) at Football
Park, Adelaids.

e Australia A 2 (Soper, O'Connor) Juvantus 0 at SCG. Australie B 0 Ireldis 0 at Lang Park, Brishane.

Austrelia B 1 (Brown pen.) Iraklis 1 apadapoules) at MCG.

e Australia A 2 (Keemina, Cant) Iraklis 0 at St George Stadium, Sydney.

Australia A 1 (Raskopoulos) Iraklis
 (Mitosavic, Ratclitta o.g., Galatidia) at Hindmarsh Stadium, Adelaida.

Top scorers:

J. O'Conner, Keamins (Aust A),
McCoist (GR), Beniek (Juve).

Bowyer (NF), Burns (GR), Brown
(Aust B), Papadopoulos (Irak), Cart
(Aust A).

 Australia A 2 (Kosmina, D'Comor) Here's the success rates of the teams in the world uding games in Parth and Darwin):

							Pts	succes:
Juventus								62.5
Glasgow Rangers								60
Australia A								55.5
Iraklis	4	1	2	1	4	4	4	50
Manchester Utd								50
Nottingham For	. 0	3	1	3	4	3	3	37.5
Australia B	7	0	5	2	5	8	5	35.7

YUGOSLAVS JAIL 20

A group of 20 soccer officials, referees and players have been sentenced to jail terms ranging from three to 18 months for bribery and keeping secret funds.

A court in the south eastern Yugoslav town of Tetovo also found the group guilty of embezzling public funds and forging official

A former president and secretary-general of the Yugoslav second division side Teteks Tetovo were sentenced respectively to 18 and 12 month in jail.

Ten soccer referees from all parts of Yugoslavia received jail sentences ranging from three to seven months. Others sentenced included former Teteks players and several soccer managers, the newspaper said.

ISRAEL, WALES DAWDLE

Israel's latest World Cup warm-up game proved a little

NO WARM.

Both the Israelis and their opponents, Wales, were inhibited by the imperature of 27 degrees which prevailed throughout the ninety mintemperature of 27 dugrees which prevailed throughout the ninety min-utes.

The match was played at a very lefsurely pace, with few chances being created by either side.

The heat also discouraged spectating $\,-\,$ for the attendance was just over 3,000. Perhaps the 0-0 scoreline said it all.

name of Valeri's game

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Goalscorers are the stuff that success in soccer is made of. That's Walter Valeri's transfers since have amounted to \$38,500. Now back at Inter Monaro for a third time, now 29 years old, he's still scoring

Maybe his flirt with the Socceroos is over but if his esent dreams are realised Monaro will win the 198-SW State League and he'll be back on the NSL stage

next year.

If so, he'll probably still be getting his name on the

next year.

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Valeri rubbed shoulders, briefly, with many Socceroo hopefuls during Rudi Gutendorf's reign. It was in 1861 that was called up by Gutendorf, then control that was called up by Gutendorf, then control that was called up by Gutendorf, then control that the strange and wonderful brand of coaching.

"I copped a bad ankle injury during a national team raining camp and I was out for six weeks. That really was the end of my chances," said Valeri.

"Even now, there are players who should be getting more of a go in the national team.

"Frank Farina's one. He's got tremendous pace and he can finish too. He'll always cause headaches for defenders. If I was picking the national side he'd be one of the best young forwards I've seen. The best is Seb Giampaolo, and I'm not saying that just because he's a mate of mine. Of all the players I've seen coming through the ranks, he's the one who I thought really would have been a star in the national team. "Seb's very skilful, he shelds the ball well and turns well, in fact he's got everything a forward needs. But he comes in for a lot of attention from defenders. Players hit him early and that's given him a lot of injury problems. I really don't think that he gets enough protection from referees.

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"If I was picking the national team I'd have Seb on the left wing, Farina on the right and David Mitchell as centre forward. That probably would be the best young forward line Australia's ever had."
Valer's short spell in Gutendorf's squad wasn't his only taste of national team glory. He played, along with Murray Barnes and Joe Senkalski, in Indonesia in 1974 with the Australian under-23's. Eric Worthington was coach and the young side won two games and crew one. At the time, he was scoring goals for West Woden Juventus in the A.C.T. Bay Valer's tarted his playing career as an eight pointed Griffith United, which just had entered the A.C.T. league and signed up many promising youngsters from the local area.

Valer's represented the A.C.T. at the national under-16 was 1972. His first stint with Inter Monaro came in 1977 when the club bought him for just Jules Interes Waler is strength of the Monaro came in 1977 when the loub bought him for just Jules Interes was 10 to
\$500.

Inter Monaro scooped the honors pool in the A.C.T.
that year and won its way into the NSW State League.
Monaro finished 5th in State League in 1978, missing out on a top four berth on goal average. It was a spec tacular start to Valeri's State League career. He fin



Walter Valeri in action for APIA.

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ished second top scorer, with 18 goals, to Attila Abonyi, who notched 21 goals.

Monaro and Valeri were more successful in 1979.

Monaro finished second in the league and beat Sutherland 2-1 in the Grand Final. Valeri's 28 goals put him on top of the scorers' list.

Canberra Arrows were on the look-out for scoring alent after finishing a dismal 12th in the 14-team National League in 1979. The Arrows didn't have to look far. They bought Valeri and Giampaolo from Inter Monaro for \$40,000.

Valeri was at Canberra for two seasons. His coaches there were Vic Fernandez, recently appointed coach at Inter Monaro, John Brown and George Murray.

"George Murray took over in 1981. He's a very, very good coach. His sessions were great, in fact, you were keen to train under George."

The following year Valeri and Canberra were at logerheads.

"My contract was up but the club had an extince on

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"My contract was up but the club had an option on me. I pointed out that to exercise that option, they had to at least offer me the same money I got in 1981, but they offered me \$1,500 less.
"I was Canberra's top scorer in 1981 and I also had made the national squad. I asked for \$500 more than I'd got in 1981. I thought that that was fair, but they knocked me back.
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got in 1981. I thought that that was fair, but they knockdre back.

"We ended up haggling over money. I got sick of the
whole business and even though I wanted to keep playing in the National League, in a way I was happy that
the whole situation was ended when Inter Monaro
bought me for \$10,000."

But Monaro had a disastrous year in 1982, finishing
third last in the NSW State League.
"I didn't have any problem settling in at Inter Monaro
but the club was undergoing a major upheaval. It had
amalgamated with West Woden Juventus but the and
agmation fell through half way tough the season. Put
it down to politics, I guess. I used he hear the Juventus
lans say they couldn't be bothered watching us because
Inter Monaro players were in the side. Then I'd heaus
Whonaro I nas saying that they couldn't be bothered
watching us because there were Juventus players in the
side.

watering is because there were switched payers.

"I was really disappointed at what happened. I decided to get away from it all and I signed with APIA for
the 1983 season."

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When Carberra sold Valeri back to Inter Monaro for \$10,000 it was on a split payment basis. Monaro agreed to pay Canberra \$4,000 in 1982 and \$5,000 in 1983. So when APIA bought Valeri, it only paid \$5,000 for him, the outstanding payment on the transfer deal between Monaro and Canberra.
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But injuries and a loss of form did little to enhance
Valeri's reputation as a goalscorer last season.

Inter Monaro paid APIA \$15,000 earlier this year, for
Valeri, Giampaolo and Billy Willox. Inter's other acquisitions in 1984 have been Tony Brenana, Angelo Ambrosino, Isaac Farrell and former Socceroo great Harry
Williams.

PUIVIIIU IV win title says Tront

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

He speaks Polish with a Scottish ac cent, plays pool for hundreds of dol-lars, could have been at Glasgow Celtic but for a punch-up with a school pre-fect, and still is waiting to be officially notified of his axing from the Victorian state squad in 1981.

State Squad in 1981.

Joe Tront is confident that Polonia will win the Victorian State League this year.

He's not so confident about Croydon's chances of ever making the big time; still wonders why Tom Bailey, then president of Mooroolbark, was "stabbed in the back by a couple of committeemen" in the 1970's, and still pops into the Bayśwater Hotel now and again, "even though the action on the pool tables has died down."

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One thing's certain. Tront won't be bringing good players here from overseas. Not anymore.

"I've learned my lesson." he said.
"I joined foroydon in 1978 when they were in the Metro First Division. They approached me to get players for their from overseas. As a result of their approach the town the control of the said. The said of the said

mething of a homecoming then, when Tron Polonia from Ringwood Wilhelmina for \$3,

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and Larry Blyth, who played for New Zealand in the early 1870's.

"I was having a drink with Frank Campbell who had gone to Celtic. He told me that Jock Stein had been interested in me. It was around about the time when the schoolboy forms came in and Stein had to ring my headmaster at Lawside Academy to get a report on me. Apparently the headmaster gave me a bad report Decause! I dhad a fight with a prefect.

Tront Joined Raith Rovers in the Scottish Second Division Later he had a spell in junior football. A very successful stint. He was selected for the Scotland juniors to play against England in a centenary match. But by the time that game was played he had Joined with Forfar Athletic and was ineligible to play for the Scotland juniors.

TIM WHITE

betty Act and that the transition of the team!"
Tront spent three seasons with Forfar before coming to Australia, at the recommendation of John Gardiner, to join Mocroolbark in 1976.
The Barkers were in the Victorian State League then. The following year they were a founder member of the National League that in-Highting split the club and their financial demise saw them last just one season in the National League that in-Highting split the club and their financial demise saw them last just one season in the National League that in-Highting split the club and their financial demise saw them last just one season in the National League that the season is the National League that the season in the National League that the season is the National League that the National League that the season is the National League that the National League that the season is the National League that the

National League but in-lighting split the club and their financial demise saw them last just one season in the NSI.

Tom Bailey was president of Mooroolbark when Tront joined. The properties of the control of the con

to sign Tront in 1982. He chose Wilhelmina. But Wilhelmina limped into 11th place in the 14-team State League that year. Milke Lynn was appointed coach of Polonia for the 1983 season and contacted Tront, who joined the Polish club. Lynn was sacked later that season.

son.

Gardiner was appointed coach of Polonia this year.

Tront is well known in Victorian circles for more than his soccre ability.

"I was introduced to the Bayswater Hotel when I first arrived in Australia. I fancy a bit of snower and pool and I remember one day playing a game for \$3,100 in the public bar there. Only \$300 of it was mine, the rest was put up by the locals. I was playing this hustler. I won. I haven't seen him down there since."

Leg-break prevented M&Adam send-off

Referees generally are barely tolerated within the soccer fra-ternity: "We're a ternity: "We're a necessary evil," they

Recessary evas, They often are the butt of unwarranted and unnecessary criticism, which would shatter the confidence of any lesser creature, but which bounces off referees like water rolling off a duck's back.

Through all this they retain

Through all this they retain an impressive passion for socre, appreciating the subtle nuances of the game and able to enthuse as much as any journalist.

And while past and present coaches, players and officials have been heaping justified praise on the current Soccero squad, the referees have not been slow to pat the team on the back as well.

One of Sydney's leading referees, Doug Rennie, who controlled the Australia-Glasgow Rangers match in Sydney, won 3-2 by Australia, and one of the greatest referees Australia has produced, Tony Boskovic, both expressed surprise and delight at the socceroo team. "The team is more competitive than teams I can remember in the past," Rennie said.

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said.
"I was very impressed with their willingness to attack. It's

"I was very impressed with their willingness to attack. It's good news for the game here," was Boskovie's comments.

"What is more pleasing for referees is that Certain members of the team are starting to show signs of keeping their cool, accepting decisors instead of playing to the crowd, and channelling their aggressions into attacking football." Rennie safe attacking football. "Rennie safe attacking the said the left a certain amount of this was due to national coach Frank Arok who had drummed into his players that they could not afford to punish their side by being sent off.
"The team looked composed

afford to punish their side by being sent off. "The team looked composed and confident and was never overawed," Rennie said. "What I liked most of all was that they tried to score

goals. There was an eagerness you could feel when they went

a tackle on David Mitchell.
"There were some suggestions that the Rangers player
should have been sent off,"
Rennie said.
"A few of the Australian
players rushed to me and said.
'Did you see that ref? He
should be off.

"But then we saw the fellow lying on the ground and he was turning grey. His leg was broken in two places and he must have been in tremendous

pain.
"I have to admit that I was in two minds at first to send

him oil.

"But after seeing him there,
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Rennie said after the match, however, several Rangers players went up to him and

congratulated him with com-ments of "Magic Game, Ref", something that pleased him By PAUL JAMES something that pleased him immensely. He said he was pleased with the attitude of players towards rules, but had noticed two big headaches kept cropping up during the series. "Probably the two biggest problems facing referees are enforcing the nine meter ule at freekicks and 'cribbing' at throw-ins," he said. "I noticed especially during the Juventus games that players moved quite a bit along the side-line during throw-ins."

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"In the past — and I don't mean this with any disrespect
— you've never felt as if the Australian team could score.
"Now it's a whole new ball game."

"Now it's a whole new ball game."
Rennie said he'd seen the 'B' team only on television, but it was obvious to him the 'A' and 'B' tags really were applicable.
"Eddie Thomson's done a

cable. "Edile Thomson's done a remendous job with the squad at his disposal, but I don't think anyone would argue which team was the more entertaining." he said. Rennie said he had thoughly enjoyed refereeing the Australia-Rangers match at the SCG.

Australia-Rangers match at the SCG ... The award a throw-in to the other side.

"We've also had huge prob-lems with free-kicks, with defenders encroaching within nine metres before the ball has been kicked.
"During the Australia-Juventus match in Sydney, Richard Lorenc cautioned one player (Charlie Yankos) in the Australian 'wall' who repeatedly encroached within the nine metres.

mine metres.
"If that player had repeated
the offence he would have been
sent off," Rennie said.

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He said the only way for sense to prevail at freekicks was for referees to enforce the law to the limit.

"At a freekick, the team that he been signed against in

along the side-line during throw-ins. He said there had been several attempts to eliminate problems at throw-ins, including a move by the English FA that when a player gained ground the referee was to award a throw-in to the other cittle.

that has been sinned against in the first place shouldn't be fur-ther penalised by allowing de-fensive walls to encroach," he

"Otherwise the whole reason for giving the freekick has been lost"

reason for giving the freekich has been lost." Rennie, who started refereing in 1965, said the referees' associations was always interested in new members. "Getting enough referees always a problem," he said. "But getting enough people of the right temperament is an even greater problem. "You've got to love the game, take the abuse and come back for more." "It's not easy, but referees realty love the game," he said.



Much has been said and written about the

World Soccer Series which I'm sure most people enjoyed in recent weeks. Many questions were raised at the outset of the series, regard-ing its viability, choices of venues, the concept of Australia having "A" and "B" squads and, of course, the disruption of the domestic programme.

The series offered an opportunity for the national coac begin his preparation of the national squad for its assault or qualifying rounds for the 1986 World Cup.

Certainly, the opposition in the World Cup qualifying rounds will be different to the teams which have recently played Australia However, notwithstanding the opposition, the series provided Australia with valuable experience in blending together its own teams and I'm sure Frank Arok learned much about the tactics that are most suited to his players.

It was noticeable during the series that when he made changes to his startling line-ups that it was due to more than just giving players in the squad a run.

Changes were made with varying tactics in mind and an oppor-tunity was taken by the coach to assess the areas in which we

A similar story was evident with the "B" squad and several players in this squad made definite inroads into possible selections in the final World Cup squad.

Players attitudes are a vital part of their overall make-up and can affect their performances in each game. Circumstances playa a part in moulding their attitudes for each game and this was evident in this recent series.

For example, the games between Manchester Utd and Ju-ventus and Manchester Utd and Nottingham Forest certainly lacked the bite and commitment which was very much in evi-dence when Australia played.

It appeared to me that the European players approached the ames with a view to providing an exhibition.

This is not difficult to understand, when one considers the long season which each of them have just completed. However, when the European teams played Australia, their at-titude was generally changed in the first 15 minutes of the game when they realised they were playing a team which was per-forming for more than just national pride.

The Australian players had a few points to prove to their more illustrious opponents but also each was playing for his place in the World Cup squad.

As a result, the games which had Australia participating pro-vided all the drama and incident as well as good football and good team and individual performances from the Australian players.

I am not suggesting that the other games were meaningless or in fact not even entertaining. There was something to be learned and enjoyed from every game.

The game between Manchester Utd and Juventus wasubject of severe criticism from the Sydney-based journa watched that game on television and enjoyed it very much

True, the game lacked commitment but a great respect from ne professional for another was very evident and both teams tempted to entertain in their own style.

A super series ends and 'Roos walk tall

Technically, the game was excellent with some fine individual performances. Frank Worthington, though not breaking into a sweat, provided some very skilful and entertaining moments.

One particular swivel and shot at goal when surrounded by defenders, by Worthington in that game, was world class.

Had it been performed by Paulo Rossi down the other end, it would have made headlines in the papers the next day!

On that same night, Antonio Cabrini showed what a class player he is, which makes it such a pity that he resorted to vio-lence in later games which ultimately earned him a sending off against Australia. Later games between Australia and Juventus provided some excellent entertainment as well as incident. A superb atmosphere at the MCG with a big crowd, provided the scene for an excilent day's entertainment.

The no-nonsense approach of the Australian teams injected new life into the Juventus players and an immediate change in players' attitudes was evident.

Referee Johnston was singled out for criticism when he did not punish goalkeeper Tacconi for his indiscretions against Marshall Soper.

I'm sure the referee had the spectacle for the paying customers in mind when he refused to reduce Juventus to 10 men. I felt it was understandable at the time, but on reflection and being wise after three games, perhaps strong action by the referee then would have prevented some of the other ugly incidents which took place in that and following games.

Make no mistake that players, especially experienced campaigners, will play on any weaknesses shown by officials and take advantage for as long as they can get away with it.

The last game between Australia and Juventus in Sydney was marred by some very bad fouls and let's be honest, Juventus players were the main perpitrators of the offences.

The problems in this game could have been nipped in the bud if referee Lorenc, who showed great courage later, had punished Tardelli severely for a very cynical, over-the-ball tackie on Soper.

This tackle was the work of a very experienced campaigner ho ran his studs down the shin of the Australian player. There is no room in this game for tackles of this sort. Strangely enough, a number of onlookers would make more uss about the foul on Favina when he was dragged back near the action.

and of the game.

I don't condone that type of foul, but it is far less erious than a
cynical tackle which could end the career of a player.

With respect to referees. I feel that the type of tackle from
Tardelli on Soper must attract the ultimate punishment immedi-

Tardelli on Soper must attract the ultimate punisament immediately!
Unfortunately, the game suffered when Juventus was reduced to 10 men but nothing should be taken from the victory achieved by Australia. Before the sending off, they were deservedly in the lead and after fit, they completely dominanted the game and with better finishing could have sent a soccer, scare around the world which would have produced shockwaves in other countries. Overall, the series provided a lot of excitement and taiking points and the people behind the scenes who organised all the games should be congratulated.

I'm sure Frank Arok's men will go on from here and hopefully they will get the support they deserve in future games.







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Con la ripresa del campionato australiano di Lega Nazionale, l'attenzione di tutti e' tormata sulla scena di casa, ed il torneo internazionale, conclusosi con la partita della nazionale vedeoro contro la squadra dell'Iraklis, e' stato archiviato ad uso e consumo dei dirigenti della Federcalcio Australiana e dei suoi tecnici che dovranno trarne le dovute conclusione e gli utilissimi insegnamenti.

Quello che i tifosi hanno ricavato dal torneo interna zio n al e e' indubiaments di natura molto soggettiva e quindi ognuno ha formato delle impressioni, ha avuto delle soddisfazioni e delle deutsioni, ha avuto delle soddisfazioni e delle delusioni di citati e carti. parziali o totali. Proprio perche' ognuno puo' ve-derlo a modo suo il calcio e' lo sport appassionante che tutti sappiamo.

A livello di Federcalcio

promozionale il torneo va visto pero' con una freddezza che dovrebbe esulare da qualsiasi entusiasmo (o delusione) per-sonale e immediato.

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Innazitutto bisogna tener
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l'ultimo "Fallimento" mondiale, il tedesco Rudy Gutendorf.

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autraliana era stato così affidato a Frank Arok, un tecnico
che aveva avuto un ottimo
passato in Jugoslavia e che da
anni operava in Australia con
successo. Inoltre Arok, secondo quanto e' strato possibile
intravedere durante le schermaglie precedenti alla sua assunzione, godeva fama di
sesere piu' capace di impostare la nazionale australiana
per fronteggiare con migliori
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Il torneo internazionale, percio', aveva come scopo quello di dare ai "socceroo" la possibilita' di misurarsi con tre diverse scuole europee:

fre diverse scuole europee: quella inglese-scozzese, quella italiana e quella greca. Oltre a tale importante esperienza, Arok doveva offrire alla moltitudine di giocatori australiani di un certo livello (e di diverse scuole) l'opportunità di darer una chiara indicazione del loro rendimento sotto pressione e contro avversari difficili per tanti motivi (eccezion fatta, forse, per un impegno che non poteva essere allo spasimo). Il tecnico australiano ha percio' messo astraliano ha percio' messo asimpegno che non poteva essere allo spasimo». Il tecnico australiano ha percio' messo asseme due formazioni nazionali che hanno giocato come due squadre diverse ed hanno anche scambiato alcuni giocatori a seconda delle circostanze o percie Arok decideva di votta in volta di promuovere alcuni di oro demuovere alcuni di oro demuovere alcuni di risultati perche' da una rosa tanto vasta e' stato possibile poter osservare del giocatori giovanissimi (Farina, McCulloch, Franken, ecc.) che mormalmente non sarebbero stati inclusi in una formazione mazionale; o giocatori che pur

stati inclusi in una formazione nazionale; o giocatori che pur non essendo dotati di classe ec-celsa, possono essere utili alla manovra di squadra per pre-stanza atletica, tenuta, com-battivita' (Miranda, O'Connor,

stanza atietica, teatuta, com-battivita' (Miranda, O'Connor, experimental de l'socceron' dove-vano fare risultati. Nel calcio sono i risultati che contaco, anche se qualche purista ancora insiste che il be gioco non dovrebbe essere sacri-ficato all'altare del risultato tutti i costi. Ma siamo onesti, una nazio-nale australiana che com-inciava la lunga avventura della qualificazione ai camp-lonati mondai e avesse perso qualitati del presenta del reconsidera del controle del verbbe avuto di gustificare e rebbe avuto di gustificare e molte centinaia di migliaia di dollari necessarie per tale campagna?

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palla per permattergli di far vedere alla platea come si segnano i goal e' assuroli. Naturalmente nessuno puo' condonare il gioco duro che ha caratterrizzato questo torneo internazionale. Ma le scorret-tezze sono state reciproche e e' difficile giudicare chi abbia cominciato prima, anche se e' pacifico che le "scorrettezze sustraliane" mancavano di esperienza ed erano quasi sempre notate, mentre le "scorrettezze europee" erano molto più "rafinate" e molto spesso passavano inosservate a causa della magistrale ese-cuzione.

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Noi pensiam che molti degli obbiettivi che questo torneo si era prefisso erano validi e sono stati raggiunti egregia-mente. Bisogna vedere ora come la Federcalcio el 'allena-tore nazionale metteranno a buon uso le positive indic-azioni, senza esaltarsi del re-lativo sitecesso ottenuto in campo e senza farsì pie Illu-sioni sulla validità del calcio australiano in un torneo inter-naziona per recipanti avrano lo stesso stimolo e gli stessi interessi di vincere a tutti i costi.

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bisogna rilevare che lo spiegamento di guadre e' stato
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giocando un'infinita' di partite nel breve spazio di quattro settimane, hanno finito per stancare un po' tutti.

A Melbourne in modo particolare, lo spostamento delle partite sul campo dell'enorme Mc.G. non si e' rivelatto giustificato dall'afflusso di pubblico, A parte la partita Australia-Juventus, tutte le altre avrebbero potuto benissimo essere giocate all'Olympie Park dove gli spettatori possono seguire il gioco ad una distanza molto piu' ravviciana ed in un ambiente piu possono seguire il gioco ad una contro di per dell'enormo di per di per dell'enormo
del calcio australiano

Torniamo alla realta

che renderebbero troppo picoolo l'Olympic Park.
Forse un'altra lezione che
gli organizzatori dovranno imparare e' che le squadre inglesi e scozzesi non hanno un
grande richiamo con il pubblico locale. Ad occhie e croce
la Juventus e l'Iraklis hanno
portato sugli spalti piu' della
meta' del pubblico pagante.
Deiche' il torneo di questi.

meta' del pubblico pagante.
Poiche' il torneo di quest'anno e' stato, tutto sommatco
positivo, c'e' da augurarsi che
il torneo del prossimo anne
sara' più breve, con menc
squadra e giocato su campi
più adatti alcacito. Una
squadra inglese cistarebb
sempre bene, forse anche una
scozzese, ma e' ovvio che is
squadra italiane e geche sont
quelle che possonodare mag
giore garanzie di pubblico.

LEGA NAZIONALE

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La ripresa del cmpionato di Lega Nazionale e'stato alquanto deludente siadal punto di vista del gioco che dall'entusiasmo degli spetarori. In il pubblico ha pubblico ha pensatodi prendersi popure dell'entusiasmo degli spetarori. In il pubblico ha pensatodi prendersi propure dell'entusia entusia di proposita dell'entusia entusia entusi

Wallace del Penrith, sono stati "espulsi" dalla panchina.
Per l'occasione si giocava la "intra confeence chalange round" e tutte le squadre hanno avuto partite difficili perche' opposte ad avversarie che occupavano il prossimo posto in classifica.
A Melbourne le due capoliste Heidelberg e Juventussi sono così afrontate nuovamentedopo poco piu' di un mese dalloro normale incontro del girone d'andata. Quella volta, alla presenza di circa 9,000 spettatori, l'Heidelberg aveva dimostrato una certa superiorita 'e sembrava dovesse vincere l'incontro che invece la Juventus riusci' adaggiudicarsi grazia a due retisegnate in zona Cesarini.
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zona Cesarini.

Questa volta le cose sono
andate bendiversamente.
Per cominciare gli spettatori erano circala metà rispettoall 'incontro precedente; la Juventus ha poi giocato
abbastanza bene da meritare abbastanza bene da meritare un pareggio e forse anche la vittoria prendendo inconsid-erazione la mole di gloco e le occasionida reti dei bian-coneri. Peccato che la prima linea della Juventusnon riesce più a segnarenem-meno a porta vuota.

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Così, dopo tantotempo la Juventu perde il primato in classifica ma rimane in unonerevolissimo secondo posto che sarebbe stato impensabile all'inizio di stagione. La prossima settimana l'atende il temibile Croatia sul campo di casa dell'Olympic Park. Per l'occasione la Juventus sara' nuovamente senza Dowie che si e' fatto espellere durante la partita di domenica scorsa per una plateale scorrettezza assoputamente innecesaria. In compenso potrebbe rientrare Paul Drionccky. L'estio della partita e' quantomai

incerto perche' la Juventus, anche se sconfita dall'Hei-delberg, gloca semprele sue migliori partite contro il Croatia ed una vittoria dei bianconeri non e' da esclu-dere a priori anche se al mo-mento tutto sembra andare a gonfie vele per i croati.

gonne vele per i croati.
D'alktra parte tutte le
"grandi" del girone avranno
vita difficile perche' ci sa-ranno gliscontri diretti fra
Heidelberg e South Mel-bourne Hellas, mentre il
Preston non avra' vitafcile
contro il Footscray JUST.
A Sydney il Marconi ha

A Sydney il Marconi ha ricominciato con una vittori sul Penrith, mentre l'Apia ha colto un meritorio punto sul campo del Sydney Olym-

La Juventus di Adelaide, dopo un periodo abbastanza positivo, ha ammainato bandiera per ilminimo scarto nel derby con il Bris-

LEGA SATALE

IFAN SATALE

II Fawkner ha accusato una improvvisa batuta d'arrestocontro il Box Hill sul campo di
casa di Jukes Road e si trova
ora nella scomoda posizione
dicondividere il primato in
classifica con il Polonia e lostresso Box Hill, con il Morwellsolo un punto luntano.
Dietro queste quattroc'e' un
po' un baratro con il quattro
punti distacco che il Western
Suburbs accusa sui Falcons.

Molto affoliata anobe la

Molto affollata anche la vetta della classifica dell Lega Statale del N.S.W. dove Maniy, Monaro e Rockdale condivido no il primato a quota 18 punti.

LEGHE MINORI

Nella prima divisione della Lega Meropolitana del Victor-ia il Thomastown l'ha spuntato contro il Moreland e continua a condividere il primato in classifa con lo Springvale City a tre punti di vantaggio di North Dandenong e ben cinque dal Melbourne che è' in quarta posizione.

Nelle terza divisione la Triestina ha perso nuovamen-te, questa volta contro il Corio, mentre il Veneto Bulleen ha fatto registrare un'altira vit-toria contro il Geelong e sta pian piano risalendo la class-ifica.

In quarta divisione l'East Brunswick Abruzzo non e' andato piu' in la' di un pa-reggio con il Lalor e continua a mantenersi interza posizione dietro un Yarraville che ha subito una inaspettata scoh-fitta dal Clifton Hill, e lo Springvale United.

Nella seconda divisione della Provisional League il Regent ha colto una netta vittoria sul modesto Fitzroy (3-4) ed ha costi rosicchiato una latro punto alla capolista Abbotsford che ha pareggiato contro la Melbourne University; ora il Regent e' pronto a riempire il vuoto di un punto che la separa dalla vetta.

che la separa data vetta.

Ma la squadra italiana del
momento sembra proprio
essere il Dallas City di Tarquinio che ha battuto il Diagley fuori casa. Ora la squadra
della Federazione Lucana ha
raggiunto il primato in classifica che condivide con Hampton Wanderers, Seaford
United e North Sunshine.

Nella quarta divisione altra belle vittoria del Westali che batendo l'Ascot Vale City ha ulteriormente distanziato questa che la inseguiva in sec-onda posizione della classifica.





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"Ο ίστορικός "Ηρακλής Θεσσαλονίκης στό τελευταίο του παιγνίδι μέ την Έθνική Αδστραλίας, έδωσε ένα καλό μάθημα σέ μερι κούς πού είχαν βιαστεί νά κρίνουν όχι μό νο την κυανόλευκη όμαδα μας άλλά καί όλδ κληρο γενικά τό ποδόσφαιρο τής πατρίδας

Στήν Αδελαϊδα δ "Γηραιδς" πήρε την νίκη μέ 3-Ι πού ήταν μιά άπάντηση. Καί τό 3-Ι ήταν λίγο άν σκεφθεί κανείς ότι ή έλληνι **κή μας δμάδα είχε κόντρα τόν ρεφερύ πού** ήταν δ άνθρωπος κάτι πάρα πάνω άπό Αύστραλός άφου δεν έδωσε δύο πέναλτυ ύπερ τού "Ηρακλή, ένω στό τέλος γελοιοποιήθηκε δταν κράτησε 6 δλόκληρα λεπτά καθυστέρη ση προφανώς γιά νά Ισοφαρίσει ή περιβόηέθνική του.

Τά γκόλ πέτυχαν οί Μιτόσεβιτς στό 48 Ράτκλιφ στό 74' είς βάρος τής δμάδαςτου και Γαλατίδης στό 80' γιά νά μειώσει ή Αύστραλία στό 83' με τόν Ρασκόπουλο.

TON HAPAAEXOHKAN TEAIKA

Τελικά και μετά άπό τό πανηγυρικό 3-Ι τής Αδελαϊδας δ προπονήτης της Αύστραλίας 'Αροκ άναγκάσθηκε να παραδείθεί την έλληνική μας δμάδα καί νά πεί: " Χάσαμε άπδ άντιπάλους πού έχουν περισσότερη τεχ νική κατάρτηση καί είναι βασικά έπαγγελματίες".

ΚΑΙ ΟΜΩΣ ΗΤΑΝ ΜΕΡΙΚΟΙ ΑΠΙΣΤΟΙ ΘΩΜΑΔΕΣ

Μετά του άγωνα του Μπρίσμπαν και την ίσο παλία του 'Ηρακλή με την Β' εθνική Δύστρα λίας, βρέθηκαν μερικοί νά γράφουν πώς ή έλληνική δμάδα παρουσίασε φτωχή ποιότητα άπριβώς όπως αύτή πού είναι στήν Έλλάδα ένω γιά τούς άκριβοπληρωμένους παίκτες τής Γιουβέντους καί τίς φάπες πού έρριξαν στούς Αύστραλούς, ούτε κουβέντα.

Πιστεύω όμως τώρα μετά, τό 3-Ι νά κατάπιαν την γλώσσα τους καί νά άλλαξαν γνώμη γιά την ποιότητα τού ποδοσφαίρου της πατρίδας μας.

TEAOE TO SEATPO

Τελείωσε το διεθνές τουρνουά που χράτησε

περίπου ένα δλόκληρο μήνα με αποτέλεσμα νά διακοπεί το πρωτάθλημα Αδστραλίας καί γελοιοποιηθεί το Κύπελλο καί... κάθε κατεργάρης στον πάγκο του τώρα.

Καί πιδ πολύ δ προπονητής τής Έθνικής Αθστραλίας δ δποίος νόμιζε δτι ή δμάδα του έπαιζε στούς τελικούς τού Παγκοσμίου

'Αγκαλιές, φιλιά, χαρές, δηλώσεις, κάμερες άπό ξόω... κάμερες άπό ξκεί, μιά άμφάς μιά προφίλ καί άλλα τέτοια που ξόειχναν πώς δ άνθρωπος πετούσε στούς ουρανούς χω ρίς νά ξέρει καί δ ίδιος.

Ξέχασε φαίνεται ότι έχει τούς προκριμα τικούς άγώνες μπροστά του καί ότι ή όμά δα του δέν παρουσίασε τίποτε τό ξέχωρο έκτδς άπδ ένα άπαράδεκτα σκληρό παιγνίδι πού ξάφνιασε τούς έπαγγελματίες παίκτες των διάδων της Εδρώπης που μετείχαν στό

Σωστά άλλωστε είπε δ άμυντικός τού πρα κλή Γιώργος 'Ορφανίδης: "Οί παίκτες τής Αδστραλίας είναι κατάλληλοι γιά άγωνες ράγμπυ".

KOADHANT: O OEOXAPIAHE XAPIEE THN NIKH

'Ο πεπειραμένος Γιώργος Θεοχαρίδης ένα λεπτό πρίν την λήξη της συνάντησης τού Κώλφηλυτ μέ το Νόρθ Τζηλόγκ, πέτυχε το γκόλ που χάρισε την νίκη στην έλληνική δμάδα 2-Ι καί την έφερε μόνη της στην 2η θέση μετά την νέα ήττα του Σάντρινγ χαμ από τό Έλθαμ 2-Ι.

Η Ελληνική μας δμάδα στό γηπεδό της ξεκίνησε δυνατά καί στό 30' προηγήθηκε μέ αύτογκόλ μετά άπό πίεση τού Πατσάκου έπι άντιπάλου του.

Στήν έπανάληψη την ύπεροχή πήραν οί φι-λοξενούμενοι μέ άποτέλεσμα νά ίσοφαρίσουν.

Τελικά δ θεοχαρίδης έβαλε την σφραγίδα του μέ τό γκόλ τής νίκης.

'Ας σημειωθεί ότι δ Πατσάκος άγωνίστηκε τραυματισμένος.

Ο γκολκήπεο Λούπο Πέτρου ήταν δ καλύτε ρος τού άγωνα και τον άκολούθησαν οί Τυρίκος καί Τσιτιρίδης.

TO KAIGTON XIA AIKAIA KEPAIEE TO NTEPMITY I-O HOY HEAN ALPO ENI TOY PIAPPABLA

ΤΟ ΓΚΟΛ ΤΗΣ ΝΙΚΗΣ Ο ΑΛΈΚΟΣ ΦΑΚΟΣ

Στό γηπεδό του τό Κλίφτον Χίλ άνώτερο σέ όλες του τίς γραμμές νίκησε τό πρωτοι Γιάρραβιλ πού δέν δικαίωσε την θέση του καί θά μπορούσε νά είχε χάσει μέ ένα μεγαλύτερο σκορ πού θά δικαίωνε τίς προσπά θειες των νεαρών παικτών του Κλίφτον.

Τό ντέρμπυ τό παρημολούθησαν πολλοί φίλαθλοι οί δποίοι χάρηκαν το πείσμα καί τό πάθος των άντιπάλων που έπαιξαν μέσα σέ άθλητικά πλαίσια.

Σωστά τοποθετημένοι οί παίκτες τού Κλίφτον σε δλόκληρο το διάστημα τού άγωνα δεν άφησαν περιθώρεια στούς παίκτες τού Γιάρραβιλ νά μπούν άπειλητικά μέσα στήν περιοχή τους.

Ή μονάδική φορά που έφτασε κοντά στό γκόλ τό Γιάρραβιλ ήταν στό Β'μέρος μέ τόν Ν.Μελέτη πού έπιασε κοντινό σούτ γιά νά άποκρούσει θετικά δ Κύργιος.

Μία ή εύκαιρία γιά το Γιάρραβιλ καί πολ λές γιά το Κλίφτου.

Μέ λίγη προσοχή οί χυνηγοί του Κλίφτου θά είχαν πάρει μεγάλη νίκη και οι εύκαι ρίες πού έχασαν ξεπέρασαν τίς πέντε.

'Ο 'Ανδριώτης άστόχησε δυό μέτρα πρό τού 'Αποστολίδη στό Α'μέρος ένω στό 46' κοντινή κεφαλιά του πέρασε μόλις άουτ. Στό 7Ι' νέο σούτ τού 'Ανδριώτη άπέκρουσε δ "Αποστολίδης πού ήταν καί δ μόνος παίκτης πού φάνηκε άπό τό Γιάρραβιλ ένώ όλοι οί άλλοι καταποντίστηκαν μπροστά στην άνωτερήτητα των νικητών.

Τό γκόλ τής μεγάλης υίκης πέτυχε δ Αλέ κος Φάκος στό 6' όταν μετά σέντρα φάουλ τού Γκέλλη, πετάγθηκε άνάμεσα άπό τούς άντιπάλους του καί πρίν ή μπάλλα πέσει στό έδαφος την έστειλε στό δεξιό Γ της Εστίας τού Αποστολίδη.

Περίφημο τό Κλίφτου έδειζε ότι άδικείται άπδ τή θέση πού βρίσκεται στόν βαθμολογι κό πένακα.

Σταθερή ή άμυνά του μέ τούς Κύργιο, Βλα χάκη, Μυστριώτη, Καράλιαμη καί 'Οτούλ. Μάλιστα δ τελευταίος διέλυσε πυριολεπτικά τόν άντιπαλό του σέντερ φόρ:

Στή μεσαία γραμμή οί Μπελεγρίνο, Γκέλλης (άλλαξε μέ τον Κοντρέρα στό 60')Πετρόπου

hv Manos Milios

λος δούλεφαν σωστά για την νίκη, ένω οί Φάκος, Αυδριώτης και Στρατάκης έφταναν κοντά στό γκόλ άλλά βοηθούσαν θετικά καί τό κέυτος τους. Είδικά δ Στοατάκης ήταν άπδ τούς καλύτερους παίκτες των νικητών μαζί μέ του τερματοφόλακα Κύργιο.

Σέ γενικές γραμμές οι νικητές ήξεραν τί ζητούσαν μέσα στόν άγωνιστικό χώρο, άντίθετα μέ τούς παίκτες τού Γιάρραβιλ πού ξπαιζαν φτωγό ποδόσφαιρο καί χωρίς προγραμματισμδ.

Δίκαια ή νίκη τού Κλίφτον πού γιορτάσθη κε άπό όλους.

TO MAABERN SITY 2-I TO MEATON

θαυμάσιο τό Μάλβερν σέ όλο τό διάστημα τής συνάντησης με το Μέλτον πήρε 2-Ι τήν νίκη πού με λίγη προσοχή θά μπορούσε νά ήταν τό σκόρ μεγαλύτερο.

Τά γκόλ γιά την δμάδα τού Νίκου Νίκογλου πέτυχαν δ 'Ιωαννίδης στό 20' καί δ Κυριαζόπουλος στό 35' ένω τό Μέλτου μείω σε στό 85' σέ 2-Ι πού ήταν καί τό τελικό άποτέλεσμα.

Επαιξαν οι Μακέν, Παπαδόπουλος, Αξιομακά ρου (53' Γιατράκης) Τσώμος, Γιαννάκης, Ρούμπος, Γεωργιάδης (77' Παλαμάρας) Αλαγκιοζίδης, Τριανταφυλλίδης, Ίωπννίδης, Κυριαζδπουλος.

Ξεχώρισαν οί Γιαννάκης, Ρούμπος καί "Ιω-

KAAPINTA

Ή Κλαρίντα έχασε το ντέρμπυ μέσα στό γη πεδό της άπό την Μπορώνια Ι-Ο άλλά συνε χίζει νά βρίσκεται στό κυνήγι τού τίτλου γιά του δποίου οί παίκτες της θά πρέπει νά παλαίφουν.

Καί μιά παρένθεση. Από την ημέρα πού δ καλός φίλος του συλλόγου κ.Τζίμης Αποστο λόπουλος έφυγε γιά διακοπές στην Ελλάδα καί δ δποίος μάς ενημέρωνε γιά τά νέα τής δμάδας... πέσαμε κι' έμείς στό σκοτά δι γιατί άπ' ότι βλέπουμε κανένας δέν βρέθημε πού νά άναπληρώσει την θέση του. Κατ' αύτον τον τρόπο είναι άδονατο νά Βοηθήσουμε του συμπαθή σύλλογο.

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U svakovalna sa onim sto je pokazala u susretima sa najboljim timovima Europe, ciji uspeh na zelenom polju zavisi od pojedinaca. Juventus bez Platinija i Bonieka je obican tim. Isto se moze reci za Glasgow Rangers, Manchester United, Nottingham Forrest i Iraklis. Njihovom tehnickom znanju Australija je sa uspehom suprotstavila je zasluga trenera Aroka.

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Posle porzaz u Newcastlu
nastala je opravdana zabrinutost u "plavom" taboru, koji je
ponovo suocen sa borhom za
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Tri boda vise od George
Crossa, ali i utaknica vise
odigrana, slaba su garancija
za nastavak prvenstva Medijutim, pobeda nad Green Gully
Adaksom povratila je poveliganta izvjačaca jer je postjost pravanrećnom igrom u
Adavom UIST tije naka po-

oba poluvremena
Odavno JUST nije ovako nadigrao protivnika, koga je
neverovatna sreca spasia od
katastrofe. Izuzev prvih 10
minuta, JUST je bio potpuni
gospodar igre, narocito na sredini terena, gde je do sada bila
slaba tacka Cirkovicevih
momaka.

momaka.
Dragan Lacmanovic nije se upisao u strelce, ali bio je trn u oku protivnickoj odbrani, koju je savladao vise puta, medju-

tim nihe imao sportsku serecu da vidi loptu u mrezi. Nekoliko puta bila je odbijena sa gol crte. Povratak JUSTa u formu

Povratak JUSTa u formu dosao je u pravo vreme, pred derbi susret sa Makedonijom ni gralistu JUSTa u nedelju 1. jula, sto ce doneti preokret u daljen takmicenju. Ocejuke se rekordna poseta, sto je ne-phodno za JUSTovu blagajnu, koja vec dva meseca ne zna za ovbiljne prihode, a u susretu sa Croatijom pretrpela je zanacinu stetu.

ovolijne prinode, a u susretu sa Graatijom pretrpela je zanacijna stetu. Imenicu i zmeđju su di Beriše U Mankadonija sudi Beriše U Mankadonija sudi Beriše U Mankadonija sudi Beriše U Mankadonija sudi Beriše U Mankadonija su procenici su 1. Dale i S. Beznelejah. U predigri se sastaju mladi timovi, sto ce takodje blit zanimljiva igra. Pored mladog tima JUST je privjavio i tim ispod 19 godina igli. Pravo nastupa imaju svi u JUSTovi juniori, koji su pozajmljeni drugim klubovima. Utakmice male lige igraju se nedeljom pre podne. Pocetak u Utakmice male lige igraju se nedeljom pre podne. Pocetak u na tel. 555-1915. U nedelju 1. jula junori JUSTa ispod 19 godina igraju protiv Croydon Cilya na Croydon Parku, cnr. Mi Dandenong Rd. & Springfield Ave., My.51 A.4.

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Pored Juniorskih, sekcija ozivela je i socijalna sekcija JUSTa, koja piređuje PLAVO VECE u suboto 1. jula u renoviranom hotelu "Metropol" ugao Brunsvick & Gertrude Sts., Fitzrov, gde nastupa popularna estradna trupa iz Jugoslavija sa poznatim pevacima Seki Trkovici Roca Radiojcic. Ulaz je svega 10 dolara sa bogatom vecerom i jednim picem.

PRVA DIVIZIJA

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Altona Gate/VARDAR —
Bell Park 2:1 (2:0). Stretci:
Tim Bikicki i Boris Gelevski.
Vardar je zasluzeno pobedio, altom so vrio skromnim rezultatom so vrio skromnim rezultatom so vrio skromnim rezultatom so vrio skromnim rezultatom sovitoriski.
Sastav Vardara: C. Dimitrijevski. A Petrovski. J. Scrujevski. A C. Dundejevski, T. Bikicki.
B. Gelevski (P. Kuzmanovski). S. Stojcevski, M. Ristevski, C. Talevski (Z. Veljanovski), F. Beller.

Reserva Vardara pobedila je drugi tim Bell Parka sa 2:0. U nedelju I. jula Altona Ga-te/Vardar odlazi u goste mesnom rivalu Altona City na Kim Reserve, Millers Rd.

DRUGA DIVIZIJA

Heidelberg/Bundoora-Rin ood/SRBIJA 1:1 (1:0). Zb seg vremena i nezgodr Heidelberg/Bundoora-Ring-wood/SRB1/A 1:1 (1:0). Dbog loseg vremena i nezgodnog terena nije mogla da se razvije dobra igra. Domaci tim vodio je veci deo utakmice, ali Ljuba Stojanovic uspeo je da izjed-naci nekoliko mimuta pre kraja, sto je realan rezultat. Sastav Ringwood/Srbije: Jimmy Milisavljevic, Tony Gilmour, Miladim Bjelogrlic (Rudi Drosseler), Alex Nel-son, Peter Vaugham, Pavle Jevtovic, Jimy Cox, Miki Dju-ric, Ljuba Stojanovic, Miki Sedlarevic, William Ross. Reserve su igrale nereseno 0:0.

U subotu 30. juna Ring-wood/Srbija docekuje na svom terenu Keilor/Austriju.

CETVRTA DIVIZIJA

CELVRIA LIVILLO.

Greensborough-Springvale
United 1:1 (1:0). Iako su "plavi" iz Springvala jedva izvukli
bod smanjili su razliku do
prvog mesta na tri boda. Izjednacio je Milan Stojilovic, koji
se oporavio od povrede zbog
koje nije igrao 6 utakmica.

1 mibora 30 ima "Plauji" iz

U subotu 30. juna "Plavi" iz oringvala docekuju Hawthorn na imanju Jugoslovenskog rad-nickog centra, Perry Rd., Keysborough.

East Brunswick-Lalor/S-LOGA 0:0. Sloga je iznenadila domaci tim odlicnom igrom. Samo je sreca spasla Sim-unoviceve momke od sigurnog poraza, jer Sloga zaista nije imala srecu pred golom.

Sastav Sloge: Tome Pack-ovski, Nik Morihinidis, Viktor Stojanovski, Tony Jolevski, Riste Nicevski, Bil Petrevski, Com Moula (Viktor Korulis), George Josevski, Boge Kra-leovski, Tome Tasevski, Dino Josevski.

U predigri rezerva East Brunswicka pregazila je drugi tim Sloge sa 7:0 (3:0). Sledecu utakmicu Sloga igra na svom igralistu protiv Lang-warrina.

MLADOST DOBILA JUGO-DERBI

HAWKSBURN-Carlton /MLADOST 0:2 (0:0). Svo /MLADOST 0:2 (0:0). Svecano otvaranje novog igralista Hawksburna nije obradovalo domace momke, koji su olako shvatili oslabl jenu Maldost. Rezervna navala sa uspehom je debitovala za prvi tim. Strelci: Dusko Atanasovski i Marko Gvozdic.

arko Gvozdic. Sastav Maldosti: M. Ciric, Sastav Maldosti: M. Ciric,
K. Lavcanski, Z. Steganovic,
M. Beker, Z. Kmetovic, C.
Trajkovski, P. Costadinidis, D.
Smurgrevski, M. Gvozdic, B.
Srbinovski, D. Atnasovski.
Rezerve: Hawksburn-Mladost 011 (011). Strelae Marko
Gvozdic, koji je sa uspehom
odigrao dve utakmice.
U subotu 30. juna Mladost
docekuje Malvern City na
Grey Reserve, Kororoit Creek
Rd., Williamstown.
West Brunswick-Central

Reg. Wester V. M. A. West Brunswick-Central City/CRVEAN SVEZDA 3:1 (1:0). U Zvezdi nesto skripi. Ima daleko bolje igrace nego sto to rezultati pokazuju. Nedostaje disciplina, narocito za vreme igre, sto pokazuju brojni zuti i crveni kartoni. I ovog puta Zvezda je igrala sa il igraca, jer je Mile Jovanovic zaradio zbog prigovora sudiji crveni karton u 35. minutu. Jedini gol postigao je iz jedanaesterca Sasa Milenkovic, kome je drugi udarac sa bele tacke golman odbranio u 87. minutu. Zvezdln sastav: Nikola

u 87. minutu.
Zvezdin sastav: Nikola
Popovic, Mile Jovanovic,
Coran Roksandic, Goran
Simic, Zoran Krnic, Dragan
Milenkovic, Edi Krt, Petar
Krnic, Emil Petrov, Sasa
Milenkovic, Edi Krt, Petar
Krnic, Emil Petrov, Sasa
Milenkovic, Miki Cvetkovski,
Reserva je pobedila sa 3:10
(½:1). Strelic: John Paul Holl
2; 1). Radisic: Ju Subotu 31.
juna Zvezda je gost W. Geelong/Makedonije.

PORAZ VOJVODINE. II GOSTIMA

Kyneton-Pascoe Vale/PE-LISTER 1:3 (1:2). Tek na petoj utakmici Pelister je primio gol. Domaci su poveli sa 1:0, ali njihova radost nije dugo traiala. Strelci za Pelis-

ter: Jani Bogojevski, Zlatko Cvetanovski i autogol.

Cvetanovski i autogol.
Sastav Pelistera: S. Maracato, M. Radojcic, N. Laraveski, G. Karayanidis, D.
McLaughlin, J. Bennalla, J.
Bogojevski, S. Valentino (D.
Nicevski), B. Cosic, Z.
Cvetanovski.

NEOCEKIVAN PORAZ HAMPTON/BEOGRADA

HAMPTON/BEOGRADA

Hampton/BEOGRAD-Seaford 0:2 (0:1). Utakmica je
pocela naopako po Beograd.
Vec u 30. sekundu jedna visoka
i bezazlena lopta nasla se u
mrezi iza iznenadjenog i nespremnog Save Jankovica.
Zatim je pristrasni sudija,
koga vezuju rodjačke veze sa
seafordom, ucinio sve sto je u
njegovoj moci da obezglavi
grace Beograda. Delio je zuti
karton kao da igra karte i na
kraju je pokao crveni bez razloga Savasu Colakoglu. Da nesreća bude veca, dirigent
Beogradove igre Dragoljub
Jankovic napustio je teren
povredjen
Sastav: S. Jankovic. M. Vol.Sastav: S. Jankovic. M. Vol.-

povredjen.
Sastav: S. Jankovic, M. Volkan, Z. Karademir, D. Janko-

B. Milosavljevic, A. Gonulu, S. Colacoglu, M. Colacoglu. Rezerva je takodje izgubila sa 2:0 (1:0).

POBEDA BOSNE U GOSTIMA

U GUSTIMA

Epping Thistle Richmond/BOSNA 0:2. Nedostaju nam
podaci, sto je neobično, jer je
"Bosna" uvek revnosna bez
obzira na rezultat.

U subotu 30. juna Hampton/Beograd gost je West
Melbourna, dok je Richmond/Bosna domacin St. Kildi/Hakoahu na Burnley Ovalu.

OSTALI REZULTATI

USIALI REZULIATI
Za prvessnstvo druge Industrijske divizije postignuti su sledeci rezultati:
Rowville-Altona/ILINDEN
2:3 (1:2). Domaci su poveli sa 1:0, ali se llinden brzo sredioi coigurao pobedu pre odlaska na odmor. Strelci: Kole Mladenovski, Risto Pilovski i Lazo Lazarevski.
U nedelju 1. jula igra se Jugo-derbi na Hospital Reserve u North Altoni Izmedju Ilindena i Whittelsea/BERAN-CI.

mmoran i Wnittelsea/BERAN-CI.
Riversdale-Tarax 4:2 (?:1).
Vetrani Taraxa su igrali bei, ali neefikasno. Strelci: Chris
Paradopoulos i Chris Ferguson. U nedelju 1. jula veterani
Taraxa docektuju Rowville
United na svojoj "Marakani",
Princes Hwy. Clayton, My.70
C. 10.
Za

Princes Hwy, Calyon, my, C. 10.

Za amatersko pvensterko (reca divizija) JADRAN je igrao protiv Collingwood Uniteda nereseno 2: 2 (2:0) u Diggers Restu. Oba gola postigao je Milos Simia, a najboliji graci bili su: Rover Pizzo, Dragan Kristic i Bogomir Stibil.

bil.

U nedelju 1. jula Jadran je gost Yarra Uniteda na J.J. Murphy Reserve, Williamstown Rd., Port Melbourne.
Prosla nedelja bila je kricna za Veselu Makedoniju, koja je za pet minuta predokrenula poraz u pobedkrenula poraz u podevarenula poraz u podeva nada je stupio na scenu koji je postugao svih 5 godu za Veselu Makedoniju. Krajnji rezultat 5.4 za veseljake, koji je postuga svih 5 godu su poda nije se umala nije sekusili. Docad

Veleveskog pohvalu zasluzuje i Brane Stankov, koji mu je dao veliku podrsku u kriticnim tre-nucima. U nedelju 1. jula Vesela Makedonija igra opet protiv Parkbourna u gostima za Kup Radio stanice 3DB.

JUNIORSKO PRVENSTVO

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J.U.S.T.-St. Marks 12:0
(6:0). Streici: Alem Pasalay 4,
Pece Stojcevski 3, Denis Micki 2, Robert Marinkovic 2:
Nikola Trajkovski 1.
Vermont-Springvale UTd.
4:4. Streici: Tal Tran 2, Milan
Mihajlovic i Zlatko Mihajlovic
po 1.
Pascoe Vale/PelisterBroadmeadows 1:0. Streiac
Sasa Nedelkovski.
Ispod 12 godina:
J.U.S.T.-Allona Gate/VARDAR 1:1. Streici: Robin Stankovski za JUST, Jimy Gacovski za Vardar.
"Plavi" ispod 12 godina ispekli su prase za vreme utak-

pekli su prase za vreme utak-mice kao da su slutili da ce prvi uzeti bod VArdaru u ovom prvenstvu.

prvenstvu.
Ispod 13 godina:
J.U.S.T.-Green Gully 3:2.
Strelci: Le Hung Minh 2 i Sasa
Necvinovski.

Necvinovski.

Doncaster-Springvale Utd.
4:2. Strelac Edi Kolar 2.
Ispod 14 godina:
J.U.S.T.-Regent 4:1 (0:1).
Strelci: Iganis Kyrlidis 3 i
Peter Daskalovski.

Sunshine George Cross-Pelister 3:0.
Ispod 16 godina:

Ispod 16 godina: J.U.S.T.-Shepparton City 3:1 (0:1). Strelci: Petar Grmusa, Igor Lopatic i John Anastasi-dis

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V
NEWGASTLE ROSEBUD

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ko 3 pm

Previous NSt. Results Canberra 4 wins Newcastle 7 wins 1 draw MARCONI V SYDNEY CROATIA

Marconi Stadium k.o 3 pm

No previous NSL results



Drago Tomasich (SYD. CROATIA)



Steve O'Connor (SYDNEY CITY)

MELITA EAGLES
V
SYDNEY CITY

Melita Stadium k.o 3 pm

No previous NSL results

PENRITH BLACKTOWN GITY

> Cook Park k.o. 3.15 pm

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ko 3 pm

Olympic 5 wins 1 draw.

WOLLONGONG V LEICHHARDT

> Towradgi k.o 3 pm

Previous NSL results Wotlongong 3 wins Deich-



Terry Butter (LEICHHARDT)

NATIONAL CONFERENCE



Joe Mullen (ADELAIDE CITY)

ADELAIDE CITY WEST ADELAIDE

Olympic Sports Field k.o 2.30 pm

Previous NSL results Adelaide City 9 wins W. Adelaide 2 wins 2 draws.

BRISBANE LIONS

V
BRISBANE GITY

Richlands 3 pm

Previous NSL results Lions 7 wins City 5 wins 4 draws



CHISOKIT FLOWS



Andrew Zinns

JUVENTUS V LROURNE GROATIA

Olympic Park No. 2

No previous NSL results

FOOTSCRAY V PRESTON

Schintler Reserve k.o 3 pm

Previous NSL results Footscray 1 win Preston 5 wins 1 draw



Con Opasinis (PRESTON)



Gerry Bennett (SUN, GEORGE X)

GREEN GULLY

V

SUNSHINE

GEORGE CROSS

Gully Reserve

k.o 3 pm Previous NSL result 1 draw HEIDELBERG

V
SOUTH MELBOURNE
Olympic Village
ko 3 pm

Previous NSL results Heldelberg 10 with S. Mel-Beurne 4 wins 5 draws.



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